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1	1-3-52	Daily Worker Newsclipping	1	1	
2	1-3-52	" " "	1	1	
3	1-7-52	" " "	1	1	
4	3-11-52	" " "	1	1	
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13	4-10-52	Daily Worker Newspaper	1	1	
14	4-14-52	" " "	1	1	
15	5-2-52	" " "	1	1	
16	5-5-52	" " "	1	1	
17	5-5-52	" " "	1	1	
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19	5-7-52	" " "	1	1	
20	5-8-52	" " "	1	1	
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25	6-13-52	Daily Worker Newsclipping	1	1	
26	6-15-52	" " "	1	1	
27	6-16-52	" " "	1	1	
28	6-17-52	" " "	1	1	
29	6-17-52	" " "	1	1	
30	6-17-52	" " "	1	1	
31	6-19-52	" " "	3	3	
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37	6-24-52	Daily Worker Newspapers	2	2	
38	6-24-52	" " "	1	1	
39	6-25-52	" " "	2	2	
40	6-25-52	" " "	2	2	
41	6-26-52	" " "	1	1	
42	6-26-52	" " "	1	1	
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45	7-10-52	" " "	1	1	
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49	10-2-52	Daily Worker Publishing	1	1	
50	10-17-52	" " "	1	1	
51	10-17-52	" " "	1	1	
52	10-17-52	" " "	1	1	
53	10-20-52	" " "	1	1	
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61	10-27-52	Daily Worker Newscipping	3	3	
62	10-28-52	" " "	2	2	
63	10-28-52	" " "	1	1	
64	10-29-52	" " "	1	1	
65	10-29-52	" " "	1	1	
66	10-30-52	" " "	3	3	
67	11-5-52	" " "	2	2	
68	11-5-52	" " "	1	1	
69	11-10-52	" " "	1	1	
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73	11-12-52	Daily Worker Newsclipping	1	1	
74	11-13-52	" " "	1	1	
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85	11-27-52	Daily Worker Dispatching	1	1	
86	12-8-52	" " "	2	2	
87	12-9-52	" " "	1	1	
88	12-10-52	" " "	1	1	
89	12-14-52	" " "	1	1	
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97	12-11-52	Daily Worker Newspaper	1	1	
98	12-12-52	" " "	1	1	
99	12-19-52	" " "	1	1	
100	12-24-52	" " "	2	2	
101	12-24-52	" " "	1	1	
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103	12-28-52	" " "	1	1	
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<u>110</u>	<u>1-16-53</u>	<u>" " "</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	
<u>111</u>	<u>1-16-53</u>	<u>" " "</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	
<u>112</u>	<u>1-19-53</u>	<u>" " "</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	
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<u>115</u>	<u>1-19-53</u>	<u>" " "</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	
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121	1-20-53	Daily Worker Newspaper	1	1	
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134	2-2-53	" " "	1	1	
135	2-3-53	" " "	1	1	
136	2-4-53	" " "	1	1	
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# GROUP FORMED TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR ROSENBERGS

Joseph Brainin, well-known with Italian in forming the committee yesterday and author, announced justice are Robert Moses Lovett, and women from all over the lands Illinois Rev. John F. Evans United States, have joined with: Katherine Dodge, Ohio him in forming a National Com. John F. Cleve, Calif.; Lois Time nitee to Secure Justice in the miss. Capt. Hugh N. Mulzac, Rev. Rosenberg Case. The Rosenbergs, Ethel and Comm.; Van Van Ave, Mass. Julius, were convicted in April and Aho, Prof. Edwin Berry Bu- 1951, on a charge of "conspiracy, espionage, and sen. Spencer K. Mulzac, Rev. to commit espionage" and sentenced to death. To this day, they are now in Sing-Sing, await Dr. Edward E. Barak, appeal. They are now in Sing-Sing, await Dr. Gene Weibach, William Re- ben, Morris L. Schapiro, all of Among the notables who joined New York.

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# GROUP FORMED TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR ROSENBERGS

Joseph Brainin, well-known journalist and author, announced yesterday that 125 American men and women from all over the United States, have joined with him in forming a National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case.

The Rosenbergs, Ethel and Julius, were convicted in April, 1951, on a charge of "conspiracy to commit espionage" and sentenced to death. To this day, they continue to assert their innocence. They are now in Sing-Sing, awaiting appeal.

Among the notables who joined

with Brainin in forming the committee are: Robert Moss Lovett, former Governor of the Virgin Islands, Illinois; Rev. John E. Evans, Pa.; Dr. Katherine Dodd, Ohio; Frederick Blossom, Wash., D. C.; John F. Clewe, Calif.; Louis Timmins, Conn.; Dr. John Masarik, Conn.; Ivan Van Auw, Mass.

Also, Prof. Edwin Berry Burgum, Capt. Hugh N. Molzer, Rev. Spencer Kennard, Mrs. Bessie Mitchell, Dr. Edward K. Barsky, B. Z. Goldberg, John T. McManis, Dr. Gene Wehfish, William Reuben, Morris U. Schappes, all of New York.

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# What's On

Tonight Manhattan

THE UNTOLD STORY of Julius and Ethel Rosenberg, a talk by reporter Van Heusen. 8:30 p.m. Admission free. 120 Greenwich Ave., today.

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# What's On?

## Coming

THE TRUTH in the Rosenberg Case. Wednesday, March 12-8 p.m. Friebus Hall-125 W. 70th St. Prominent speakers. Admission 50 cents. Auspices: Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case. 248 Fifth Ave. MU 8-3144.

SIX MORE DAYS and then you can attend the Harlem Music Festival and Dance to celebrate the opening of the Frederick Douglass Educational Center on Saturday, March 16, at 8:30 p.m. Guest of Honor will be William L. Fallerman and of Honor will be Jimmy Rogers, Os-Duncan, Polly and many others.

At the Golden Gate Ballroom, 34th St. and Lenox Ave. Tickets \$1.20 and \$1.75. Tickets on sale at Jefferson Bookshop, Weyler's Bookshop and 4th St. Bookshop. BROTHERHOOD CELEBRATION-March 15, Cultural presentation, also dancing, music and popular. Yugoslav-American Home, 405 W. 41st St. Door \$1. Sponsored by Young Progressives of America-117 York State.

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# "WE ARE INNOCENT"

—JULIUS AND ETHEL ROSENBERG

## PUBLIC MEETING

to hear the truth in the Rosenberg Case  
**TONIGHT — Wed., March 12, 8 P. M.**  
**PYTHIAN HALL**  
 135 West 70th Street, N.Y.C.

### SPEAKERS:

- RAMS LOUIS D. CROSS, editor, Jewish Examiner
- MARY VAN KLEECK, eminent sociologist
- WILLIAM L. PATTERSON, civil rights leader
- B. Z. GOLDBERG, well-known Jewish journalist
- REV. SPENCER BENHARD, famous Biblical scholar
- ALBERT KAHN, internationally-famous author
- MRS. HELEN SOBELL, wife of one of the Rosenberg Case defendants now in prison
- WILLIAM REUBEN, crusading journalist

Admission 60 cents, incl. tax

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# 1,000 Jam Hall Here To Hit Rosenberg Frameup

By HARRY RAYMOND

The auditorium of Pythian Hall was jammed with 1,000 persons Wednesday night to protest the conviction and death sentence of Julius and Ethel Rosenberg, young Jewish couple railroaded to the Sing Sing Death House for "conspiracy to commit espionage." Five hundred more, for whom there were no seats available, remained on the sidewalk outside the hall.

The meeting was the first large public assemblage on the case held under auspices of the Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case.

The audience was moved to tears during an address by Mrs. Helen Sobell, wife of Morton Sobell, co-victim in the notorious "spy trial," sentenced to 30 years imprisonment.

"I have been living with this injustice for more than 18 months," she said. "I don't need to weigh the evidence in the case. I know what the truth is. I know my husband was not in any way connected with a conspiracy to commit espionage. . . . It was dirty, rotten business. . . . From the moment the word 'Communist' was mentioned it was a massacre."

Mrs. Sobell said she spoke for the Rosenbergs and her husband when she declared: "We have not betrayed our ideals or our friends."

Mary Van Kleeck, industrial sociologist, charged the death sentence imposed on the Rosenbergs was a "cruel revelation of breakdown in the hard-won safeguards of the American system of justice."

"We are innocent," she said. "We are an ordinary man and wife, and a

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is inevitable that ordinary people could be grievously scarred by the history of the past few years. Like others, we spoke for peace because we did not want our two little sons to live in the shadow of war and death. Like others, we spoke for the liberty of our fellow citizens because we believe and want our children to believe in the fine democratic traditions of our country. That is why we are in the death house today, as a warning to all ordinary men and women like ourselves that there are forces today which hope to silence by death those who speak for peace and democracy."

The meeting heard Mrs. Bessie Mitchell, sister of Thomas English, defendant in the frameup of the Trenton Six Negroes; B. Z. Goldberg, writer for the Jewish Day, and Rev. Spencer Keimard, Biblical scholar and author.

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William Reuben, writer who covered the case for the weekly paper National Guardian, told how the whole case hinged on what the Rosenbergs and David and Ruth Greenglass, government witnesses, were alleged to have said in prison.

"I am not convinced beyond reasonable doubt that the Rosenbergs are guilty," said a statement by Rabbi Louis D. Gross, editor of the Jewish Examiner, read at the meeting.

Joseph Brainin, Jewish writer, chairman of the meeting, charged that in the Rosenberg case "truth was strangled in the courtroom."

This message, written in the death house by the Rosenbergs, was read by the writer Albert Kahn:

"We are innocent. . . . We are an ordinary man and wife, and we

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## TO OUR FRIENDS:

### A LETTER

from the  
Committee to Break  
Justice in the

### ROSENBERG CASE

216 Fifth Ave.  
N. Y. C.  
MU 5-2144

Many hundreds of you were turned away from our historic March 12th meeting at Pythian Hall in New York, while over 1,200 jammed every inch of available space in the Hall itself. We tried for weeks to get a large hall; we were turned down.

We are sorry that many of you were not in the Hall with us, but we want to thank you for your patience, the contribution you sent up to us from the street and for your good will.

The Rosenberg Case calls for another meeting, many times larger, in the very near future. We are calling the big halls now.

Meanwhile get your friends together for neighborhood meetings on the case, ask us for speakers, for our Rosenberg Amicus Petition, our new 8-page fact sheet, and for the William Reuben pamphlet and other materials.

And, of course, keep sending us the funds that will make justice possible.

JOSEPH BRAININ  
Chairman

DAVID ULMAN  
Executive Secretary

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**Speaks Tonight on  
Rosenberg Case**

William Reuben, journalist, will speak tonight (Thursday) at 8:30 on the Rosenberg Case, at a meeting of the Sixth South A.D. A.I.P. Club at 93 Ave. B, Manhattan.

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## Actions Planned For Friday in Rosenberg Case

Thousands of Americans will take joint action this Friday in calling for a new trial for Julius and Ethel Rosenberg, now in Sing Sing's death house, and for Morton Sobell, under a 30-year sentence, it was announced yesterday by Joseph R. Binin, chairman of the National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case.

While a delegation of prominent citizens call upon Attorney General J. Howard McGrath in Washington, others will telephone and wire the Attorney General and visit local Department of Justice offices.

In addition to committees now functioning in key cities, new Rosenberg Committees have been established during the last week in eight cities in Virginia, Georgia, Louisiana, South Carolina and North Carolina.

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## Ask McGurnery Intercede for Rosenbergs

The newly appointed Attorney General J. McGurnery, was asked yesterday to use his influence in bringing about a new trial for Ethel and Julius Rosenberg and Morton Sobell and thereby "rescue the faith of many thousands in our judicial processes."

In a letter to the Attorney General, Joseph Brainin, chairman of the National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case, informed him of the Committee's delegation interview on March 28 with Special Assistant to the Attorney General, A. F. Oehlman, during which Oehlman stated that the Department of Justice would give consideration to the request for a new trial.

Brainin called for renewed effort to bring immediately to the attention of the new Attorney General the facts in the case and the increasing determination of people throughout the country to see justice done through a new trial.

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# Rosenberg Letters Read at AS Prevue

By JOHN HUDSON JONES

A reading of the letters of Mrs. Ethel and Julius Rosenberg, framed and condemned to die for alleged atom bomb spying, was the profound and exciting highlight of the A. S. Prevue Saturday night at Yugoslav-American Hall.

Mrs. Rosenberg's letters were read by Adelaide Beati and Mr. Rosenberg's were read by Lou Poulter. Their excellent reading brought out the great courage of the Rosenbergs as they face death in Sing Sing.

"Take heart," Mrs. Rosenberg wrote, "and know that you are not alone. This great protest, coupled with our legal fight, will set us free. . . ."

"I was terribly shocked to hear that Willie McGee was executed," Rosenberg wrote. "Shame on those who perpetrated this act. . . . But worst shame on those who kept their mouths shut."

In another letter, Mrs. Rosenberg spoke tenderly of her children and of her husband and their early love and the beginnings of their understanding of the world around them.

"We shall continue to sit here in dignity," she wrote of being in Sing Sing. "For those who have the courage to fight for freedom of the Rosenbergs will insure their own."

The ASP show was opened by the Beavers' fine songs, and was

followed by comedian Hesh Bernard's rollicking reading of Viola Brothers Shore's poem, "Queen for a Day."

Morris Carnovsky read Chapter Eight from the novel "A Lantern for Jeremy," by V. J. Jerome, and captured the tenderness and deep-cutting social realism of Jerome's work.

Then Carnovsky had the audience howling with his interpretation of the "Death of a Government Clerk," a short story by Anton Chekov about a clerk who sneezed on the bald head of a feared general at the opera.

Bob DeCormier's full, mellow voice won heavy applause with his rendition of "Old Paint," the horse with the union label.

"Jackass Train" was a hilarious satirical song by Earl Robinson, with apologies to Frankie Lane and "Mule Train."

Singing in memory of Willie McGee, the Negro artist Leon Bibb delivered "Bye and Bye" with deep feeling, and was then joined by Robinson in singing "O Freedom." They closed the show with "The Grey Goose," made famous by the late Leadbelly.

There are only three more of these "Prevues," produced by Lester Cole for the N. Y. Council of the Arts, Sciences and Professions.

Adelle Jerome, of ASP, stated that more material is needed, and plans are being discussed for summer shows and for the fall season.

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# It Was Not a Slip of the Tongue by Dewey's Top Aide

By ABNER W. BERRY

The insulting word "n—r," uttered in Albany last Wednesday by Kent Brown, Gov. Dewey's counselor, to a delegation of Negro and white citizens was not one of those chance "slips" of the tongue.

From it, it was a racist punctuation to a racist performance. Brown had indicated his contempt for Negroes to the 12 men and women from the outset of the conference. And his performance, epithet and all, represented government policy. At first the Dewey aide tried to limit to four the number of persons he would see. After a protest by the leaders he agreed to see the full delegation. Brown opened the conference with an explanation that the Governor and his chief counselors were enjoying "well deserved vacations" while he (Brown) was "stuck with this (delegation)."

The counselor sought to give the impression of going out of his way to do a favor. He listened, then as Rev. Frank C. White, a Unitarian minister of New York City, presented the petition of the delegation using Gov. Dewey to:

• Intervene for speedy prosecution of Stanley LaBensky, the ex-highway cop who killed in cold blood James and Wyatt Blacknall, two Negro brothers, in front of a workers tavern.

• Replace Westchester County District Attorney George M. Fanelli with a Negro special prosecutor.

• Appoint a Moreland Act Commission to investigate acts of anti-Negro violence throughout the state.

25 CASES

The petition handed Brown cited 35 instances of police violence including murders, against Negroes in New York State since 1943, six of them in Westchester County. None of the guilty cops the petition pointed out, had been punished. This Rev. White contended proved the existence of a "pattern of violence."

Brown answered the petitioners as follows:

On the prosecution of LaBensky: "The case is in the hands of the normal processes of law."

On superseding Fanelli: "I see no reason for the supersession of District Attorney Fanelli in this case."

On Moreland Act Commission: "There is no basis for action under the Moreland Act since the Moreland Act provides only for investigation of state agencies."

## Albany ALP Asks Dewey Fire His Aide, Kent Brown

ALBANY, May 7.—The Albany County American Labor Party, in a letter to Gov. Dewey, has demanded the "immediate dismissal" of Kent Brown, representative of Gov. Dewey, for his insulting language to a Negro and white delegation. The delegation had visited Albany to protest the police murder of the Blacknall brothers in Yonkers.

On a Negro special prosecutor: "I see no reason for further inflaming the fires of discrimination to the limited extent they do exist by appointing a Negro special prosecutor on a racial basis. . . . If such a selection was made, it would be made on the basis of ability and not on the basis of race."

In an oblique attack on the delegation itself, Brown asserted: "I'm not aware of any pattern of violence. . . . Certain organizations for reasons of their own seize upon incidents and seek to paint them as a pattern."

Miss Jean Taylor, who with Rev. White was co-chairman of the Committee for Justice in the Blacknall case, sponsor of the delegation, challenged Brown's brush-off.

pointed to the record of murdered Negroes and declared, "We are not murdering ourselves, Mr. Brown, and also continued with the question, "Why is it when we speak for our rights we are called Communist and subversive?"

### PEEKSKILL CITED

Arthur Schutler, state secretary of the American Labor Party, "a member of the New York Bar," denounced Fanelli's whitewash of the racists who attacked the concert-goers at Peekskill in 1949. Brown interrupted angrily with: "Mr. Schutler, Peekskill is a closed book."

Schutler returned to the attack by citing the fact that civil justice had awarded Negro victims of police brutality and their families more than \$300,000 in damages during the past two years. "This warrants more than a statement that people are getting worried about them," Schutler said.

Mr. June Gordon, representing the Emma Lazarus Federation of Jewish Women's Clubs, supported Schutler, as did Bishop M. L. DeBorja, a Negro woman minister of the Brooklyn Missionary Center Church.

At this point Brown sought to cut off further speakers, as Gladstone Smith, Negro representative of the Fur Workers Union Joint Board, tried to speak. Brown sought

to meet the protests against cutting the discussion off, pleaded patronizingly that he had "shown you every courtesy" and had "listened patiently."

Incidents in which Negroes were murdered, he said, "always give rise to bitterness and hatred." Not all police are bad, he defended, although "you will find one in every department — there is always a — in the woodpile, you know."

The entire delegation arose as one to protest the insult which had rolled casually and familiarly off Brown's tongue. This was the punctuation mark to a string of sentences defending the murder of Negroes as "incidents" occurring in the "normal" routine of living in a white supremacy society.

Brown's remark revealed the truth of what Russell Means, of the Farm City Cooperative, told him, emphasizing his words by pointing an accusing finger: "Now we know that the investigation should begin right here in this office. . . . Some day the wrath of the people will come down upon you!"

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# Oliver Pilat Does His Bit for the Anti-Semitic Frameup of Rosenbergs

THE ATOM SPIES. By Oliver  
Pilat. Putnam, New York. \$3.50

By ROBERT FRIEDMAN

While the outright Christian Fronters, Bundists and other Jew-haters make anti-Semitic capital out of the Rosenberg case, there are those who try to confuse and demobilize decent Americans from protesting this outrage by arguing that there's no anti-Semitism in the case at all.

This degraded role is currently being performed by Oliver Pilat's new book, "The Atom Spies," in the spirit of the newspaper which regularly employs him, the New York Post.

Only last week, this anti-Semitism inherent in the frame-up trial and conviction of Julius and Ethel Rosenberg as alleged spies for the Soviet Union during our wartime alliance with that country broke into print in the "New York World Telegram and Sun."

In that violently reactionary but 'respectable' organ, book reviewer Sterling North (a graduate of Pilat's "Post") applauded Pilat for having "little use for the CCNY boys who sold out their country for clams, dollars, radio sets or what-are-you-offering."

Every Jew, every decent American will recognize with outrage (as every pro-fascist will greet it with glee) in this statement by Sterling North the standard gutter patter of the Bundists and other Jew-haters.

The sneering phrase "CCNY boys" has for decades been used as a cowardly and slanderous reference to the young Jewish young men and women attending that institution. Everyone, including Sterling North, surely, knows that.

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That the "World-Telegram" writer finds, in the Rosenberg case, justification for anti-Semitic sentiments would be indicated again in his cheer:

"If an immigrant does not learn how to read or write English after 34 years in this country he or she deserves such children as these sharp-witted gutter rats."

This is the language of a Goebbels.

Used in a review of Filat's own book, it demolishes utterly Filat's attempt to justify the Rosenbergs' conviction and death sentence by dishonorably alleging "Communist willingness to arouse anti-Semitism in the guise of fighting it in the Rosenberg case."

The brutal severity of the death sentence for this young Jewish-American father and mother shocked even the most conservative, rightwing observers. "The Jewish Daily Forward" exclaimed, "This is too much."

It is sickening to read Filat's attempt to justify this death sentence, while he justifies the virtual whitewashing of those who served as Nazi agents during World War II.

The bulk of his book is written in a mystery-thriller style to cover up his futile effort to justify the spy charges against the Rosenbergs.

The fact is that the whole case rested on the unsupported testimony of one man, David Greenglass. This government witness described before the Rosenberg jury the "atom bomb" whose drawing the Rosenbergs allegedly delivered to the Soviet Union.

But the science writer for Life Magazine proved the sole "evidence" against the Rosenbergs to be a fake. He wrote:

"At first glance Greenglass' 'implosion bomb' appears illogical, if not downright unworkable."

The Life article then elaborated.

in scientific terms, the evidence the professional informer. Here to show that this alleged secret drawing of the "atombomb" was a fraud. Massing, to 'substantiate' Green-glass' testimony) is automatically guilty.

How could this 'evidence' be otherwise, when reputable American scientists have long admitted that not only has there never been a U. S. atombomb "secret" to steal, but that as far back as 1939 Soviet scientific journals were openly publishing, for the world to see, their own atomic discoveries.

These discoveries preceded our own "secrets" by years.

Filat's book, boils down, then, to a defense of the witch-hunt and of the plans for anti-Soviet aggression. The underlying theme of this American husband and wife this book is that anyone fingered as a "spy" by renegades and professional anti-Communists (he quotes Dreyfus,

But millions of Americans still remember how another government framed another innocent victim for espionage, forging elaborate documents and utilizing the whole power of the state to convict him. The world still remembers the Dreyfus Case as an example of the depravity and monstrous duplicity of reaction.

Now we have our own American Dreyfus Case. And one may confidently predict that tens of millions of people all over the world will clamor for justice for this American husband and wife as an earlier generation did to open the prison gates for Alfred Dreyfus.

## MYLES LANE, SPACE CADET

THE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT must be searching through dime comic books in an effort to whip up new material to keep "spy" hunts in the headlines. The latest bit of hysterical fantasy was dished up Sunday in a speech by U. S. attorney Myles Lane.

Lane told his listeners at a communion breakfast all about a new deadly space platform. He said this platform could be suspended 3,000 miles above the earth and would not be effected by the laws of gravity.

"Under the plan," Lane claimed, "if you should want to fire on a city, such as Moscow, you would use the rotation of the earth in guiding the missile, then fire it at a given point so that it would descend. It would be capable of destroying the whole city."

But it appears the "plan" never went into effect. Why? Because "spies" gave the "secret" to Moscow. And who were the spies? The Rosenbergs who were convicted and sentenced to death on an equally fantastic piece of nonsense—that they gave the non-existent atomic "secret" to the Soviet Union.

Lane's latest piece of fantasy points up again the frameup character of the Rosenbergs conviction. While the case is still under appeal, Lane says they are guilty of something which was not even introduced during the trial. It wasn't introduced because the secret never existed just as the space platform never existed.

Every informed person knows the original charge against the Rosenbergs was just as fanciful. The fact is there never was an atomic "secret" to be passed on, as even anti-Soviet publications have admitted. The Rosenbergs should be freed.

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# Wife of 'Spy' Frameup Victim to Speak at B'klyn Rosenberg Rally

Rabbi Abraham Cronbach, Pro-Church, Ephraim Cross of City College, Yank-Sell-Lammie Lay, lesser Emeritus of Social Ethics, ish poet and novelist, Mrs. Helen and Theology at Hebrew Union College and Jewish Institute of Sobell, wife of Norton Sobell and others will address a public Religion, Rev. Reginald Bass-66 "Truth Will Prevail" meeting on Brooklyn, Central Community the Rosenberg case on June 17.

It was announced yesterday. The meeting will be held at the Brooklyn Academy of Music, 70 Lafayette Ave., Brooklyn, and will begin at 8 p.m. Admission is 60 cents.

The National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case, sponsors of the meeting, urges all who wish to attend to secure tickets from the Committee office at 216 Fifth Ave., New York, N.Y., Murray Hill 4-7149.

The Committee is also urging that its hundreds of supporters in Brooklyn bring their signed American Biels with them. Deadline for turning these American Biels into the Committee is June 17.

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# 10,000 Sign Brief for Rosenbergs

A mounting tide of public opinion has added 10,000 names in a single week to an Amicus Brief on behalf of Julius and Ethel Rosenberg and Morton Sobell, Jewish victims of a "spy" frameup trial, the National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case announced yesterday.

The 10,000 names, among them many eminent public figures, came in from June 2 to 9. Deadline for signatures is June 30, 1952. These 10,000 are in addition to many thousands more secured previously.

The committee also announced that it is conducting three big public meetings in New York: June 17, at Brooklyn Academy of Music, 30 Lafayette Ave.; June 24, at Manhattan Towers, 76 St. and Broadway; and Great Central Palace, 90 Clinton St., New York City.

Heading the list of speakers at the June 17 meeting are: Rabbi Abraham Cronbach, Professor Emeritus at Hebrew Union College and Jewish Institute of Religion; Rev. Reginald Bass of the Brooklyn Central Community Church; Prof. Ephraim Cross of City College; Yuri Sild, famous Jewish poet and novelist; Mrs. Helen Sobell, wife of Morton Sobell, and others.

On June 7, a petition requesting review of the case was filed with the U. S. Supreme Court in Washington. Among the points raised in the petition are:

Vagueness and possible unconstitutionality of the espionage law.

The prosecution's attempt to evade the obligations of submitting conclusive evidence of guilt.

Prejudicial conduct by the trial judge.

Prosecution's attempt to make the holding of lawful opinions a basis for "intent to commit espionage."

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# ROSENBERG RALLY TONIGHT AT THE BILTMORE, B'KLYN

The first public rally in Brooklyn on the Rosenberg Case will go on as scheduled at the Biltmore, 2230 Church Ave. this evening (Tuesday), the National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case announced yesterday. Originally scheduled for the Brooklyn Academy of Music, the rally had to be shifted when, reporting pressure by the Brooklyn Eagle, the Academy broke its contract with the sponsors at the last minute.

Community Church in Brooklyn; Gloria Aguin, attorney who was chief counsel in the successfully argued Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois case, and Mrs. Helen Sobell, wife of Morton Sobell, who was sentenced to 30 years imprisonment at the time Julius and Ethel Rosenberg received the death sentence.

The committee pointed out that "an unmistakable connection exists between the campaign to close the doors of meeting halls to discussions of the Rosenberg case and the efforts of a small group of anti-Semites who have used the U.S. mails to circulate threats of violence. We are confident that the people of Brooklyn will 'now' people of Brooklyn will 'now' want to know more than ever for themselves the sober thinking of those who have studied the Rosenberg case."

## CLIMAX OF DRIVE

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The Theme of the meeting, Truth Will Prevail, will be set forth by such figures in Jewish life as Rabbi Abraham Cronbach, Professor Emeritus of Hebrew Union College and Institute of Jewish Religion, Ami Suhl, Yiddish poet and novelist; Prof. Ephraim Cross, known for his participation in the campaign against anti-Semitism in New York colleges, and Albert Kahn, author of High Treason.

Others who will speak include Rev. Reginald Bass of the Central

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# 1,000 at Overflow B'klyn Rally Pledge Fight for Rosenbergs

MICHAEL VARY

An overflow meeting of more than 1,000 Brooklynites at the Biltmore on Church and 42nd St. on Tuesday pledged to Julius and Ethel Rosenberg that they shall walk free again, the people in the death sentence imposed upon the Rosenbergs as the first to be condemned to the electric chair for "treason" practice.

There was no shame in the fact that came when Mrs. Helen Sobell, wife of Morton Sobell, co-accused of the Rosenbergs who were sentenced to 30 years, walked the microphone and brought a message from her husband. With emotion, she began: "Morty, I tell them that while I am in prison that they must not use my eyes, my ears, my voice. I tell them that I want to walk free again. Tell them that I will never be a lying, crawling..."

Mrs. Sobell told the audience the sentence of death given to Ethel and Julie, and the sentence of 30 years given to Morty, warning to each one of you, not to each one of you: be it, I don't fight, not for peace, not for bread."

He warned, "If we are the first to have been taken into the others, will it be better for you and are the second or the third? If we stay in prison, you that much closer to prison, die at Sing Sing, you move much closer to death at Sing Sing."

Sing. Mrs. Sobell revealed that she had been approached to become a stooge by FBI agents who told her, "You'd be surprised how much you remember when you have worked with us."

One of the nation's most renowned teachers of theology, Prof. Abraham Cronbach of the Jewish Theological Seminary in Cincinnati, pointed out that the Rosenberg case is a product of war hysteria. He denounced the false idea that this country's safety can be insured only by armaments.

"Armaments do not prevent war," he said, "they invite war. War is not national defense-war is national jeopardy."

## RABBI SPEAKS

An unannounced speaker was Rabbi Meyer Sharf of Williamsburg's Temple Anshin Polatoff, one of the most orthodox synagogues in Brooklyn. In introducing Rabbi Sharf, the meetings chairman, Joseph Brainin, announced that the Rabbi contacted the committee, that "we did not seek him out." Brainin said that Rabbi Sharf had only recently become familiar with the Rosenberg case, and felt compelled to speak out against the injustice.

Rabbi Sharf declared at the

outset that he was no friend of the Communists but came to speak because "I am sure with all my heart that the Rosenbergs are innocent."

Referring to Judge Kaufmann's pious declaration when he imposed the death sentence that this decision had been arrived at after long consultations with God, Rabbi Sharf said: "Instead of spending three days and nights in the synagogue, Judge Kaufmann should have spent those days on the streets talking to the Jewish people."

The Rabbi expressed his shock and horrorification at the brutal sentence. As a member of the Rabbinical Board of Greater New York, and as an active participant in numerous Jewish organizations, Rabbi Sharf declared he was positive if the members of the organizations were asked their reaction to the death sentence, they would say with one voice that it must not come to pass.

## SOLITARY TORTURE

Mrs. Gloria Agins, the fighting Brooklyn attorney who defended Dr. DuBois, told of the travesty which had been committed against justice in the Rosenberg case.

A horrified murmur went through the hall when Miss Agins

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... of the year of solitary confinement to which Ethel Rosenberg has been subjected. "There are no other women in the death house," she said. "No one to talk to, no human voice to hear. Think a moment of even one hour of boredom that you have experienced. Then stretch that to 24, and stretch those 24 into a whole year."

Albert Kahn, president of the Jewish People's Fraternal Order, declared that the Rosenbergs were condemned to death because they fought for life. He pointed out the brutal effects this case has had on their children.

The two young Rosenberg boys visited the Kahn's not long ago, and were afraid even of the cat and the puppy dog. Finally, toward the end of the day, Kahn said, one of the boys mustered enough courage to pet the little dog. "You know," the boy said, "that dog like me. That's a good sign. Maybe we'll win the case."

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An overflow meeting of more than 1,000 Brooklynites at the Biltmore on Church and Flatbush on Tuesday pledged to Julius and Ethel Rosenberg that they shall walk free again. The meeting, virulently attacked by the Brooklyn Eagle demonstrated the deep concern

of the people in the death sentence imposed upon the Rosenbergs as the first to be condemned to the electric chair for "treason in peacetime."

There was no chance in the tears that came when Mrs. Helen Sobell, wife of Morton Sobell, co-defendant of the Rosenbergs who was sentenced to 30 years, walked to the microphone and brought a message from her husband. With deep emotion, she began: "Morty said, 'Tell them that while I am buried in prison that they must be my eyes, my ears, my voice. Tell them that I want to walk proud and free again. Tell them I could never be a lying, crawling thing.'"

Mrs. Sobell told the audience that "the sentence of death given to Ethel and Julie, and the sentence of 30 years given to Morty, is a warning to each one of you. It says to each one of you: be quiet, don't fight, not for peace and not for bread."

She warned, "If we are the first who have been dragged into the chambers, will it be better for you if you are the second or the third? If we stay in prison, you move that much closer to prison. If we die at Sing Sing, you move that much closer to death at Sing

Sing." Mrs. Sobell revealed that she had been approached to become a stoolpigeon by FBI agents who told her, "You'd be surprised how much you remember when you have worked with us."

One of the nation's most renowned teachers of theology, Prof. Abraham Cronbach of the Jewish Theological Seminary in Cincinnati, pointed out that the Rosenberg case is a product of war hysteria. He denounced the false idea that this country's safety can be insured only by armaments.

"Armaments do not prevent war," he said, "they invite war. War is not national defense—war is national jeopardy."

## RABBI SPEAKS

An unannounced speaker was Rabbi Meyer Sharf of Williamsburg's Tzema Tzema Synagogue, one of the most influential synagogues in Brooklyn. In introducing Rabbi Sharf, the meetings chairman, Joseph Brainin, announced that the Rabbi contacted the committee, that "we did not seek him out." Brainin said that Rabbi Sharf had only recently become familiar with the Rosenberg case, and felt compelled to speak out against the injustice.

Rabbi Sharf declared at the

outset that he was no friend of the Communists, but came to speak because "I am sure with all my heart that the Rosenbergs are innocent."

Referring to Judge Kaufmann's pitiful declaration when he imposed the death sentence that this decision had been arrived at after long consultation with God, Rabbi Sharf said: "Instead of spending three days and nights in the synagogue, Judge Kaufmann should have spent those days on the streets talking to the Jewish people."

The Rabbi expressed his shock and horror at the brutal sentence. As a member of the Rabbinical Board of Greater New York, and as an active participant in numerous Jewish organizations, Rabbi Sharf declared he was positive if the members of these organizations were asked their reaction to the death sentence, they would say with one voice that it must not come to pass.

**SOLITARY TORTURE**  
Miss Gloria Agin, the fighting Brooklyn attorney who defended Dr. Dubois, told of the travesty which had been committed against justice in the Rosenberg case.

A horrified murmur went through the hall when Miss Agin

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**THE POST:** Max Lerner, suppressing from his readers the truth about the fascist and anti-Semitic propaganda being spread through the mails about the Rosenbergs as one whose "main purpose was to spread the Communist legend that the American government is anti-Semitic." The irony of Lerner's attempts to demobilize America's Jewish and non-Jewish, is that this bowing and scraping does not give him immunity from the pro-fascists, who brand him "Communist" just the same. —B. F.

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### FEATURING

The Court Room events that brought about the convictions and extraordinary sentences; Death for Ethel and Julius Rosenberg and 30 years imprisonment for Morton Sobell.

How the presence of a box of jelly on a gunny shelf was made to sound incriminating.

How a man who failed the 8 technical courses by attempted after high school testified that he placed the A-Bomb secret together out of snippets of overheard conversation, and then put it down on 11 pages.

How that testimony sent his sister and brother-in-law to the Death House, while his own wife went free and he got 15 years, parole in 5.

The ordeal of Ethel Rosenberg in Sing Sing's Death House, and her extraordinary reaction:

"We Are Innocent"

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## 2 Rosenberg Ballies This Week

A West Side Meeting will be held at Manhattan Tower, 76 St. and Broadway Tuesday at 8 p.m., and a Lower East Side Meeting at the Great Central Palace, 90 Clinton St. Thursday at 8 p.m. (will take up the frameup conviction of Julius and Ethel Rosenberg, who now face death.

Rabbi Meyer Sharf, of the Anshe-Pinkas Synagogue, Fred Yuni Suhl, known Jewish poet; and Sol Tischler, a Jewish leader of the East Side will speak. Dr. Annette Rubenstein, Jean Taylor, New York city director of the Civil Rights Congress, journalist William A. Reuben, Mrs. Helen Sobell, wife of Morton Sobell, a co-defendant in the trial who was sentenced to 30 years imprisonment in the same frameup and novelist David Ahnen, also will speak.

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By MICHAEL VARY

Last Tuesday evening I sat next to Max Lerner at the press table at the Rosenberg meeting in Brooklyn. On Thursday I had the nauseating experience of reading Lerner's piece on the meeting in the New York Post.

Lerner was obviously upset. His concern, no doubt, stemmed from the deep impact which the Rosenberg case has had upon the Jewish community. It is to relieve this impact, to take the stench of anti-Semitism off the Administration and the courts, that Max Lerner made the trip to Flatbush.

Lerner may have been stirred to anger and compassion, as he declares in his column. But the anger was not directed at the death sentence (even though he admits it was "unprecedented and harsh") and the compassion was not

reserved for the Rosenbergs. The anger was directed at the hard-working committee which arranged the meeting, and the compassion was extended toward the thousand decent Brooklynites who attended. Indeed, there was little evidence of any emotion in Lerner while he chatted gaily with his conferees from the Herald Tribune and other papers at the press table. When he wasn't chatting, he leaned back comfortably in his chair, visibly distributed by the turn of events.

#### SOME FACTS

Let's straighten out a few facts. Lerner complains no word was said that would lead one to believe the Rosenbergs are innocent. If he hadn't come in so late, he would have heard Gloria Agnini, the attorney, describe some of the "legal" aspects of the case. He

would have heard her tell of the wild boasts of the prosecution which never materialized, of the introduction of such "evidence" as signatures on a nonheating petition, membership in a fraternal organization, collection cans for Spanish relief, etc.

He would have heard her tell of the phony "scientific data" which the Rosenbergs allegedly stole and which were, according to science writers for LIFE and other publications, either public knowledge or of no particular importance.

Lerner characterizes the appearance of Rabbi Sharff as "the prize catch of the cynical men." Such reference to a man of Rabbi Sharff's age and long religious service could be considered both disrespectful and insulting. But beyond that, the chairman of the

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#### ANTI-SEMITISM

Lerner's main aims are trained on the ever-increasing public recognition of anti-Semitism in the trial. Yuri Suhl, author of "One Foot in America," described this anti-Semitism very well. It was not the Committee which introduced that issue, but the government and the judge who based their case on that issue.

"What better ammunition could the anti-Semites have than Judge Kaufman's declaration that the Rosenbergs single-handedly caused the Korean war and the loss of 50,000 American lives," Mr. Suhl asked. He pointed to the immediate outcry among editorialists

and columnists in the Jewish press, many of them of Lerner's political persuasion.

The "insult to the Jews," of which Lerner complains, comes not from the committee and the decent people who believe that the death sentence of the Rosenbergs is a travesty of justice. The insult comes from Lerner's pen, for he assumes that the Jewish people are fools if they do not heed Lerner's polemics. The Jewish people, to Mr. Lerner's chagrin, are not inclined to follow the misleaders who would alibi an administration that is hell-bent for war and that stands with both feet in a program of genocide against the Negro people.

The Rosenberg meeting in Flatbush proved that the Jewish people don't heed Lerner.

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Like the top "leadership" of the major Jewish organizations—and probably under their stimulus—Lerner is particularly bothered by the fact that the anti-Semitic aspects of the case are being brought home to Jewish people all over the country. Like them, also, he is trying to create the impression that efforts for a new trial are based solely on the anti-Semitic aspects of the case, which is simply not so.

Like these top "leaders," Lerner feels it necessary to do his bit to call the Jewish people off the case. He is reaffirming the line of these "leaders"—that the anti-Semitic issue was "injected" by the "communists" for Machiavellian ends.

In the current (July) issue of Jewish Life, I have indicated that certain Jewish top "leaders" are playing into the hands of those who are trying to bring a police state to our

notice the fact, which they well know, that this case, together with other "atom spy" cases, is bringing forth volumes of anti-Semitic filth.

Lerner simply does not deal with the evidence for anti-Semitism in the case. He merely asserts that the fact that the Rosenbergs are Jewish "had nothing to do" with what happened to them. His answer to the view that Judge Kaufman's imposition of the death sentence—unprecedented in the annals of American jurisprudence—was an appeasement of the anti-Semites, is the evasive and quite irrelevant sneer: "I wondered how loudly the Communists would shout out sometime if the judge had not happened to be Jewish."

Lerner pursues the arrogant, aggressively ignorant—if not deliberately dishonest—line of the Post that the "Communists" are a group of inhumanly cynical, evil men who outdo Machiavelli's prince in sheer ruthlessness. Thus he asserts that the "communists," the "half-pint commissars," who, according to him, are deliberately "exploiting the emotions of unsuspecting Jews" in relation to the case, have not the slightest interest in the Rosenbergs.

One need not point out that many non-communists and anti-communists (a number of English-Jewish journalists, for instance) are convinced that Judge Kaufman was appeasing the anti-Semites, and others are convinced that the Rosenbergs

burg, a speaker at the Brooklyn meeting who was passionately concerned for the fate of the Rosenbergs because of Judge Kaufman's appeasement. Lerner explains this concern with the usual comment that Rabbi Shariff has been unable to erase the memory of the centuries of pain his people had suffered." In other words, Lerner implies that Rabbi Shariff's sensitivity to anti-Semitism is excessive or unnecessary in this country.

This is the unkindest cut of all in the light of the alarming increase of overt anti-Semitism in the past few years and in view of Lerner's evasion of the idea that most moved the rabbi, Judge Kaufman's appeasement. Rabbi Shariff, we do not doubt, will show how to respond to Lerner's Judenrat argumentation.

**TOWARD THE END OF HIS COLUMN,** Lerner slips in this sentence: "I agree that the death sentence was unprecedented and harsh." Why? Lerner does not answer this question. He is far too much interested in sneering the campaign for the victims of this death sentence. For, if he had attempted to answer it, he would have run into the anti-Semitic aspects of the case and into the danger to civil liberties that are involved in this set-up.

Lerner, who prides himself on being a social scientist and a liberal, evades the central issues. Lerner prides himself on being "objective" and devoted

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By LOUIS HARRÉ

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Like the top "leadership" of the major Jewish organizations—and probably under their stimulus—Lerner is particularly bothered by the fact that the anti-Semitic aspects of the case are being brought home to Jewish people all over the country. Like them, also, he is trying to create the impression that efforts for a new trial are based solely on the anti-Semitic aspects of the case, which is simply not so.

Like these top "leaders," Lerner feels it necessary to do his bit to call the Jewish people off the case. He is reaffirming the line of these "leaders"—that the anti-Semitic issue was "injected" by the "communists" for Machiavellian ends.

In the current (July) issue of Jewish Life, I have indicated that certain Jewish top "leaders" are playing into the hands of those who are trying to bring a police state to our country and are doing their utmost to immobilize the Jewish people from resisting ominous, anti-Semitic trends.

SUCH top "leaders" are unmoved by the fact that not one Jew served on the jury in the Rosenberg case, in a city one-third Jewish. Nor do they

notice the fact, which they well know, that this case, together with other "atom spy" cases, is bringing forth volumes of anti-Semitic filth.

Lerner simply does not deal with the evidence for anti-Semitism in the case. He merely asserts that the fact that the Rosenbergs are Jewish "had nothing to do" with what happened to them. His answer to the view that Judge Kaufman's imposition of the death sentence—unprecedented in the annals of American jurisprudence—was an appeasement of the anti-Semites, is the evasive and quite irrelevant sneer: "I wondered how loudly the Communists would shout out sometime if the judge had not happened to be Jewish."

Lerner pursues the arrogant, aggressively ignorant—if not deliberately dishonest—line of the Post that the "Communists" are a group of inhumanly cynical, evil men who outdo Machiavelli's prince in sheer ruthlessness. Thus he asserts that the "communists," the "half-pint communists," who, according to him, are deliberately "exploiting the emotions of unsuspecting Jews" in relation to the case, have not the slightest interest in the Rosenbergs.

One need not point out that many non-communists and anti-communists (a number of English-Jewish journalists, for instance) are convinced that Judge Kaufman was appeasing the anti-Semites, and others are convinced that the Rosenbergs are innocent. A line such as that of the Post and Lerner is on a level with the question, "When did you last beat your wife?" or, in the more recent version of this logical oddity, "Why do you think you ought to be discharged for subversion?"

ONE CAN ONLY call despicable Lerner's sickening condescension toward Rabbi Meyer Shariff, the anti-Communist Orthodox rabbi from Williams-

burg, a speaker at the Brooklyn meeting who was passionately concerned for the fate of the Rosenbergs because of Judge Kaufman's appeasement. Lerner explains this concern with the smug comment that Rabbi Shariff has been unable to erase the memory of the centuries of scars his people had suffered. In other words, Lerner implies that Rabbi Shariff's sensitivity to anti-Semitism is excessive or unnecessary in this country.

This is the unkindest cut of all in the light of the alarming increase of overt anti-Semitism in the past few years and in view of Lerner's evasion of the idea that most moved the rabbi, Judge Kaufman's appeasement. Rabbi Shariff, we do not doubt, will show how to respond to Lerner's Judenrat argumentation.

TOWARD THE END OF HIS COLUMN, Lerner slips in this sentence: "I agree that the death sentence was unprecedented and harsh." Why? Lerner does not answer this question. He is far too much interested in smearing the campaign for the victims of this death sentence. For, if he had attempted to answer it, he would have run into the anti-Semitic aspects of the case and into the danger to civil liberties that are involved in this set-up.

Lerner, who prides himself on being a social scientist and a liberal, evades the central issues. Lerner prides himself on being "objective" and devoted to truth. Yet it would be hard to find a piece of writing that so totally lacks reasoning or is less concerned with fact than his column of June 19.

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8 Volumes on  
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Made Available

The entire 1800 pages of testimony in the Rosenberg-Sobell trial is being made available to the public, it was announced yesterday by the National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case.

This step was taken because the Committee believes the actual day by day record of the trial is the best argument for a new trial.

The Committee said the trial record will demonstrate that political hysteria dominated the trial and resulted in "guilty" verdicts and sentences of death. Among other things found in the trial record is the actual testimony by which David Greenglass sent his sister, Ethel Rosenberg, to the death house, the telling admission wrung from Elizabeth Bentley and Harry Gold under cross-examination, and the refutation of these witnesses by Ethel and Julius Rosenberg.

Copies of the trial record, \$10 for the entire 8 volume set, may be ordered from the National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case, 240 Fifth Ave., New York 1, N. Y.

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# Sunday New Jersey

**THE URGENT TRUTH** about the Rosenberg Case. Bring your friends to a public meeting by the New Jersey Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case. Thursday evening, Sept. 11, Wideway Hall, 224 Broad Street, Newark, N. J. No admission charge. Speakers: Howard Fast, Rahel Meyer Sherris, Rev. I. C. Collins, David Almond, Mrs. Helen Sobell.

## Coming

**LET THE TRUTH BE KNOWN.** Newark Thursday evening, Sept. 11. Come and bring your friends to a public meeting by the New Jersey Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case at Wideway Hall, 224 Broad Street, Newark. No admission charge. Speakers: Rahel Meyer Sherris, Rev. I. C. Collins, David Almond, Mrs. Helen Sobell. Save the date: Thursday, Sept. 11.

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## What's On?

### Tonight Bronx

HOWARD FAST, ALP Congressional Candidate in 11th C.D. launches the election campaign tonight at Rumba Point Palace, 1630 St. and Southern Blvd., Bronx 8 p.m. Entertainment by Martha Schiamone, famed folk artist. Admission Free.

### Tomorrow—Newark

PUBLIC MEETING to call for a new trial for the Rosenbergs tomorrow, Thursday, Sept. 11, 8 p.m. in Wideway Hall, 949 Broad St., Newark, N. J. Auspices New Jersey Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case. No admission charge. Speakers: Rabbi Dr. Meyer Sharf, Howard Fast, Mrs. Helen Sobell, Rev. L. C. Oullin, David Altman, Mrs. Lottie Oullin.

### Coming

HEAR Dr. Alpheus Hinton speak on "South Africa Today"—see film, "South Africa Uncensored"—Friday, Sept. 12—8 p.m. Auditors: New York Student Division. L.Y.U.—Place: Adelphi Hall, 14 Fifth Ave. Bklyn. 60c.

ORISE MRS. MARTIN YOUNG and Mrs. Peter Hatzisides, victims of the deportation hysteria, at reception and concert Sept. 12—8-10 p.m. Brighton Community Center, 2300 Coney Island Ave., Brooklyn. Hear Martha Schiamone, L.Y.U. Bklyn. Bklyn. Matusevich. Tickets \$1.20 in advance, \$1.50 at door.

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By JOSEPH CLARK  
MOSCOW, USSR

**THE NEW FIVE-YEAR PLAN**  
 which occupied the center of the stage at the 19th Congress of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union specifically includes the Marxist principle of coexistence of capitalism and socialism. At the same time the Congress recorded the fact that the capitalist part of the world is entering a deeper and deeper crisis. Stalin's profound contribution on the post-war development of the general crisis, in his work on Political Economy, influenced the entire course of the Congress deliberations.

Coexistence is written into that section of the new Five-Year Plan which states:

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# Letters from Readers

## The Fight for The Rosenbergs

New York

Editor, Daily Worker:

In your issue of Sept. 28 you published a beautiful article by James Goodman on Ethel and Julius Rosenberg. It presents the present status of Ethel Rosenberg in her death cell in simple and moving language, and once more points to the greatness of the character of this woman, a victim of the cold war.

The article could have been of constructive value in the fight to secure justice for the Rosenbergs and Sobell were it not for one unfortunate omission. The writer neglected to mention that there are thousands of Americans men and women who, refusing to be intimidated, are doing everything in their power to save the Rosenbergs and Morton Sobell from their undeserved fate.

That is why it is regrettable that you omitted to mention the fact that a national committee to secure justice in the Rosenberg case is working day and night to arouse American public opinion against what may well become (as your writer indicates) another Sacco and Vanzetti case. We need manpower and funds for what may be the last phase of the struggle to save these courageous victims of the hysteria.

Will you please mention that those who wish to participate in our efforts should communicate with the National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case, 1050 Sixth Ave., telephone number, BRyant 9-9894.

JOSEPH BRAININ.

Chairman, National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case.

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**THEY MUST NOT DIE!**



**JULIUS ROSENBERG**

**Speakers:**  
**Dr. W.E.B. DuBois**  
**Rabbi**  
**Samuel Buchler**  
**Mrs. Helen Sobell**  
**and**  
**Morris Carnovsky**



ETHEL ROSENBERG

**Rally at Central Plaza**  
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# 'Forward', 'Jewish Day' Ask Truman Save Rosenbergs

The Jewish Daily Forward and the Jewish Day urged President Truman yesterday to spare the lives of Julius and Ethel Rosenberg, whose death sentences on frameup "spy" charges were denied review by the Supreme Court this week.

Both the "Day" editorially and the "Forward", in a lengthy article by editor H. Rogoff, urged executive clemency as an act of humanity and compassion.

The "Forward" article in addition compared the extreme penalty for the Rosenbergs with the 14 year and 10 years terms given Klaus Fuchs and Alan Nunn May on similar charges. It reiterated the "Forward's" view, given at the time of the Rosenbergs' sentencing, that the death penalty was "to horrify" and urged Truman to consider that the alleged betrayal of the Rosenbergs was committed at a time when Russia was our ally in the

war. In this country there was a friendly attitude toward Russia.

The "Day" expressed the "hope that President Truman will, on the basis of humanitarian motives and solely on this basis commute the death sentence of 33-year-old Julius Rosenberg and 30-year-old Ethel Rosenberg to prison."

While the paper refused to admit the validity of widespread charges that the Rosenbergs are victims of anti-Semitism it added:

## APPEAL TO TRUMAN

"However, having faith in our democratic system of justice and a fair application of our laws we feel that we are entitled to appeal to the President to commute the death sentence to prison and not allow America to emerge in the eyes of the world as being more brutal than other democratic countries that coped with similar crimes."

The paper concluded:

"A life in jail is a severe enough punishment for the Rosenbergs. Let not America extinguish the lives of two young people for a crime that drew only prison sentences in other countries. Let America not rob two small children of their parents."

"For the sake of America's good name it is worth that the President exercise compassion along with judgment."

"Forward" editor Rogoff, who would not recognize the possibility of innocence for the Rosenbergs, noted that "the extreme punishment of death for betrayal was always meted out only to spies who helped the enemy in time of war. Never has such a punishment been handed out when assistance was given to an ally in war. This is also the first time that the death penalty for espionage was rendered in a civilian court."

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# Speed Is Urged on Save-Rosenbergs Pleas to Truman

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The committee also announced that the deadline has been extended until Oct. 25 for delivery to the committee of signed "amicus curiae" petitions. Many thousands of Americans have already signed these petitions, interceding with the courts on behalf of the Rosenbergs and their co-defendant, Morton Sobell.

In view of the Supreme Court's decision in the Rosenberg case, committee spokesmen appealed for scores of thousands of signers to the petition in the remaining few days. The petition must be delivered to the court by Oct. 28.

The committee also announced plans to issue 500,000 copies of a four-page tabloid paper which will

give the facts on the frameup of the Rosenbergs, the exposure of its anti-Semitic character, as well as the statements of prominent members of the Jewish community and other Americans have said in protest against the death sentences.

More than 50 representatives of unions and civic groups, at a meeting on Friday, heard Jean Taylor and Elaine Ross of the Civil Rights Congress, and Dave Ahman, of the Rosenberg committee, and pledged support to this Thursday's mass meeting, at the Central Plaza, 111 Second Ave. (near 7 St.), and to the out-door rally planned for Oct. 29 at Union Square.

B. Z. Goldberg, columnist on the Jewish Day, will address the rally, together with Dr. W.E.B. DuBois, Rabbi Buchlet and others. Admission will be 75 cents.

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**ROSENBERGS  
MUST NOT DIE!**

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# Save the Rosenbergs!

Will you permit the Rosenbergs, young Jewish parents of two small children, to be put to death—in the face of grave doubt of their guilt?

A new trial is still possible . . . Presidential clemency can save their lives.

## 2 RALLIES TO HELP SAVE THE ROSENBERGS:

### NOW!

#### BROWNSVILLE

**Tonite! Tonite!**

at 8 P.M., Premier Palace  
505 Sutter Ave., Brooklyn

#### Prominent Speakers

Mrs. Morton Sobell Beale Mitchell  
Clara Agria Michael Wolfson  
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OCT. 29**

*After Work  
4:30-7 p.m.*

National Committee to Secure  
Justice in the Rosenberg Case  
1050 6th Ave., New York, N.Y.

Joseph Brainin, Chairman  
David Alman, Exec. Sec'y

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PABLO PICASSO

## PICASSO IN PLEA FOR ROSENBERGS

\* Pablo Picasso has joined the growing list of notables who have spoken up for a new trial or for clemency for Ethel and Julius Rosenberg, it was announced yesterday by the National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case.

The Committee also announced that Rabbi Dr. Meyer Sharif, a leader of Orthodox Jewry, will make his second Brooklyn appearance on behalf of the Rosenbergs tonight (Wednesday), 8 p.m. at a Save-the-Rosenbergs meeting at Premier Palace, 535 Sutter Ave., Brooklyn. Other speakers at the meeting will be Mrs. Morton Sobell, wife of one of the defendants who received a 30 year sentence, Mrs. Bessie Mitchell, sister of one of the "Trenton Six," and Mrs. Gloria Agin, chief counsel in the Dr. W. E. B. DuBois case last year.

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"You will continue fighting till we are completely vindicated."

... Julius Rosenberg from the death house

# City-Wide Rally to Save the Rosenbergs

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 23rd

8 P.M. — Admission 75c (incl. tax)

CENTRAL PLAZA, 111 SECOND AVE. (nr. 7th St.)

HEAR:

B. Z. Goldberg

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois

Rabbi Samuel Buckler

Mrs. Helen Sobell

Morris Carnovsky

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# Zola's Battle in Dreyfus Case Can Inspire Fight to Save Rosenbergs

By SAMUEL SILLEN

All of progressive France is today paying tribute to the memory of Emile Zola on the 50th anniversary of the great novelist's death. The French literary Left, and indeed the entire working class movement, finds in the career of the courageous Zola a flaming message for our own time.

For Zola was an artist who joined his powerful talent with the struggles of his people against bigotry and oppression. He braved prison and exile to hurl his famous "I Accuse" at the anti-Semitic militarists who staged the gigantic farce known as the Dreyfus Affair in the 1890's.

And we in America, as we fight to save the lives of Ethel and Julius Rosenberg, can gain understanding and strength from Zola's role in this earlier case.

Certain analogies are clear when we review the circumstances. Against a social background of rising reaction and anti-Semitism, Alfred Dreyfus, a young Jewish officer of 33, was falsely accused by the ruling class of turning over military secrets to another country. In those days it was not the atom bomb but "artillery formations" and the "hydraulic recoil" of cannon. Dreyfus was arrested in 1894, charged with "high treason" amidst cries of "Death to Dreyfus! Death to the Jew! Death to the traitor!"

The innocent Dreyfus was condemned by the real betrayers of France to Devil's Island for life (not even in the infamous Dreyfus case, let us remember, was there the barbarity of the death sentence assigned the innocent Rosenbergs). Emile Zola attacked the "imbecile anti-Semitism" of the farce. Though preferring a life of quiet and comfort, he found that "silence had become impossible."

For he saw that the Dreyfus persecution was nothing less than a moral crisis for the whole nation. He saw in it a war-making plot. He became "the poet of this national drama," in the words of his American biographer, Matthew Josephson.

protest is only the cry of my soul. Let them dare then to carry me to the court of appeals, and let there be an inquest in the full light of the day!"

These words were heard around the world. When Zola was himself placed on trial by a government anxious to choke his voice, Anton Chekhov wrote: "I would not exchange one of his fingernails for all of those who are sitting on his case at the court, all those generals and high-born witnesses."

William James said that "the daylight that now seems shining through the Dreyfus case is glorious." In Paris, Marcel Proust and other young students gathered 3,000 signatures to a petition in behalf of Zola.

Zola was found "guilty." He had to flee France. He was suspended from the Legion of Honor

—whereupon Anatole France tore up his own Legionnaire ribbon.

But he was finally vindicated. And ultimately Dreyfus was legally cleared, reinstated in the army, and after years of prison-decorated!

Zola once said: "The Dreyfus Affair has made me a better man."

He was touched with grandeur by this fight. He became, as Anatole France said at Zola's funeral, a moment in the conscience of mankind. And those who remained silent, or hummed and hawed over the "insufficient evidence," or preached caution and expediency, have been doomed to oblivion by history.

As we carry on the campaign for Ethel and Julius Rosenberg, let us appeal to the writers and artists of America to speak in the thunderous accents of Emile Zola. Let them save the honor of America as he saved the honor of France.

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Zola wrote a series of burning articles in the newspaper *Figaro*, until the stockholders stepped in and fired the editor. He issued pamphlets at his own expense attacking chauvinist nationalism. And in return he was hooted, stoned, smeared, denounced as "traitor" and the receiver of "Jewish stipends."

But he persisted. In 1898 he published his immortal Letter to M. Felix Faure, president of the Republic, which concluded with "I accuse the President . . . I accuse the generals . . . I accuse the First Court Martial of having violated the law in condemning a man upon evidence kept secret, and I accuse the Second Court Martial of having covered this

defect. . . ."  
He wrote with words that fired the conscience of France and all humanity:

"It is a crime to misdirect public opinion and to pervert it until it becomes delirious. It is a crime to poison small and simple minds, to arouse the passions of intolerance and reaction through the oilium of that miserable anti-Semitism of which great and liberal France with her rights of man will expire if she is not soon cured.

"It is a crime to exploit patriotism for motives of hatred, and it is a crime, finally, to make of the sword the modern god when all human science is at work to bring about a future of truth and justice."

As for himself, wrote Zola:

"I have one passion only, for light, in the name of humanity which has borne so much and has a right to happiness. My burning

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New Yorkers of all faiths will rally in Union Square Wednesday at 4:30 p.m. in a mammoth outdoor "Appeal To The President," it was announced today, by the National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case. Led by the prominent civic and religious leaders, the meeting will urge President

Truman to grant clemency to Ethel and Julius Rosenberg, young parents facing death on an espionage charge.

Rabbi Dr. Meyer Sharff, outstanding leader of orthodox Jewry, will be one of the featured speakers at the rally. With him will be Reverend Amos Murphy, Boston, clergyman and Rabbi

Max Feldman of the Radio City Synagogue of New York. Jewish choruses will sing for the assembled throngs.

Expecting a record turnout, officials of the Committee reported that at least a quarter of a million leaflets have been distributed over the past week-end.

in New York City announcing the demonstration.

In addition to thousands of individuals, large numbers will be on hand from trade unions, women's and Negro organizations, civic and fraternal groups. Many will arrive from outlying areas of the city by special buses and cars.

The Committee asked for volunteers to help with preparations for the Union Square rally. Volunteers are also asked to call at the Committee office, 1050 Sixth Avenue any time between 10:30 a.m., Monday through Friday, and until 5:30 p.m. on Saturday.

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### **An Editorial**

**TWO DAYS AGO**, a notorious mass killer of innocent people, the Nazi General Kesselring, was let out of prison "on account of his health."

He is only the latest of the Nazi killers who has been released. Washington has been active in getting many of the blood-stained war criminals out of jail.

But Washington is silent over the horrible decision to execute Julius and Ethel Rosenberg, husband and wife, parents of two children, on the basis of the unverified, unsupported testimony of one single man—who escaped death sentence by pointing the accusing finger.

We appeal to all New Yorkers, but especially to the men and women of the trade unions, to take their place for decency, humanity and justice in the Union Square demonstration tomorrow (Wednesday) from 4:30 to 7 p.m.

All America knows today that Sacco and Vanzetti were innocent—but this knowledge comes too late. It cannot restore them from the grave. Had they won a commutation of the death sentence, they would be alive now.

If Tom Mooney had not been saved from the death sentence by world labor, the subsequent proof of his innocence would have been in vain.

Not even the Nazis who murdered unarmed Americans at Malmedy were given the death sentence. Why are the Rosenbergs picked out to be the first such victims in the entire history of the United States?

Your conscience will not let you rest unless you help swell the Union Square cry for government action to save the lives of the politically framed Rosenbergs.

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# Schappes' Letter to Lehman, Ives Urges Clemency for Rosenbergs

The following letter on the Rosenberg case was sent to Senators Lehman and Ives by Morris U. Schappes, author of 'A Documentary History of the Jewish People in the United States.'

Senator Herbert H. Lehman  
and Senator Irving M. Ives  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Senators Lehman and Ives:

I address you jointly on a matter that is non-partisan in content, on the issue, that is, of whether equal justice has been done in the case of Ethel and Julius Rosenberg. In a few days our President will have before him the question of whether he should commute their sentences or permit them to be executed.

The issue now is not one of justice, but of equal justice. You are probably of the opinion that our Courts have already rendered justice in this case, and at this moment I would not waste time disputing this with you. I may say in passing, however, that my own profound doubts about the quality of the trial have been strengthened by the decision of the United States Court of Appeals in Boston on October 10, 1952 that Denis W. Delaney did not receive a fair trial in a tax-fraud case because of "the hostile atmosphere engendered by all the pre-trial publicity." How much more hostile was the atmosphere and the pre-trial publicity against Ethel and Julius Rosenberg and Morton Sobell.

But the issue of equal justice is at stake for the following reasons: Axis Sally and Tokyo Rose, convicted of treason in time of war, were sentenced by our Courts to ten and twelve years in prison. In

England Dr. Allan Nunn May, convicted on a charge of atomic espionage (the same charge as against the Rosenbergs), was sentenced to ten years; and according to a New York Times' dispatch of September 10, 1952, he will probably be released this December, after serving his minimum time of seven years. Dr. Klaus Emil Julius Fuchs, convicted of atomic espionage, presumably as part of the same group with which the Rosenbergs were alleged to be connected, was sentenced to fourteen years. It will not be long, therefore, before Axis Sally, Tokyo Rose, Dr. May and Dr. Fuchs will be walking the earth again as free men and women, while the bodies of two persons named Rosenberg will be mouldering in their graves—unless President Truman, in the name of equal justice, commutes their sentence.

Like thousands of others, I have already written to Mr. Truman, urging him to commute the unequal sentences imposed on the Rosenbergs. I know that your intervention, jointly or separately, in behalf of such a commutation would carry great weight with the President.

Furthermore, President Truman recently commuted the death sentence of Oscar Collazo, convicted of an attempt to assassinate the President. There is therefore no reason why he should not also be able to recognize the justice of commuting the sentences of Mr. and Mrs. Rosenberg. I trust you will add your influence to the growing public appeal for this commutation.

Very truly yours,  
Morris U. Schappes

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## "Appeal-to-the-President" Meeting

**TODAY**  
(Wednesday)

**UNION SQUARE**

**After Work**  
**4:30 - 7 P.M.**

*Aspirers: National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case — 1050 Sixth Ave., N.Y.C. — BR 9-9694*

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# Union Square Rally Asks Truman to Save Rosenbergs

By ROBERT FRIEDMAN

Union Square rang yesterday with the cry, "The Rosenbergs Must Not Die!" The cry came from representatives of Catholic, Protestant and Jewish faiths, and from unionists, Negro and white, who spoke at the "Appeal to the President" rally there in behalf of executive clemency for Julius and Ethel Rosenberg. It was echoed in the cheers of thousands of New Yorkers who crowded the 17 St. side of the Square to join in the fight to save the lives of the young Jewish-American couple framed as "spies" in America's version of the Dreyfus Case.

A crowd officially estimated at 7,500 underscored its intense determination to win life for the Rosenbergs, by remaining through a two-hour meeting despite the raw cold and late October winds which whipped the Square.

The crowd tendered an ovation to the venerable Rabbi Dr. Mayer Sharff, leading Orthodox rabbi of Brooklyn, as he left the speakers' platform, when chairman Joseph Brainin announced that Rabbi Sharff would appeal to President Truman in person for clemency for the Rosenbergs.

David Almar, executive secretary of the National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case, sponsors of the rally, announced the initiation of a "Million Message" campaign to Truman urging that the Rosenbergs may live.

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The campaign already has a start of almost 100,000 postcards, letters and telegrams to the White House, Alman reported.

Speaking in Yiddish, Rabbi Shalom declared: "Some people have told me not to touch this case because it is 'left,' 'Communist.' I examined my conscience, found that I believe these people to be innocent and therefore I have to do what I can to set them free."

The Rev. Amos Murphy, Universalist minister of Boston, told the throng:

"I am proud to be numbered among those seeking mercy and justice. The spirit of mercy and justice does not ask whether you are Republican or a Communist, a Catholic, Jew or Protestant, black, red, white or brown."

Speakers including Emily Alman, a neighbor of the Rosenbergs, and Mrs. Helen Sobell, wife of Morton Sobell, the Rosenbergs' co-defendant, who received a 30-year jail term, outlined the crude frame-up against the three.

The purpose of the rally and of the immediate struggle, however, was as Brainin stated: "We are going to save the lives of Julius and Ethel Rosenberg and then we are going to fight on to vindicate them."

Mrs. Bessie Mitchell, sister of Collis English, one of the two remaining jailed Negro victims of the Trenton Six frame-up, declared: "I am joining this movement to secure justice for the Rosenbergs because I know what injustice is."

Trade unionist speakers, including Sam Tischler, president, Local 140, United Furniture Workers, CIO, and Bob Edwards and Herb Frank, members of District 65, UMW, emphasized that the fight to win clemency for the Rosenbergs is in the great tradition of workmen's struggles against frame-ups.

Tischler charged: "This was a frame-up, not just against the Rosenbergs but against the Jewish people."

Frank, speaking as a rank and file unionist, urged the crowd to "bring this case into your shops, into your neighborhoods."

The throngs, though the winds grew colder and the night deepened, heard Miriam Schlamme sing the song of the Jewish anti-fascist fighters in the Warsaw Ghetto, and the Jewish People's Chorus of 30 mixed voices in "Let My People Go."

They left the Square applauding Altman's recitation of the world-wide appeals, from the French workers, from workers in Australia, for clemency, hearing his call: "The Rosenbergs Must Not Die!"

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Group of practising Catholic laymen, headed with Catholic Worker, have called upon President Truman to commute the death sentence of Ethel and Julius Rosenberg. It was announced yesterday by the National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case.

The group comprises Michael Harrington, Robert Ludlow, Martin Cohn, Isidoro Fazio, Charles McCormack and Roger O'Neill.

"We believe," they stated, "that the sentences of death imposed upon the Rosenbergs are vindictive, out of all proportion to other sentences given in the same trial, out of all proportion to any sentences given in a peacetime trial in our history."

"We therefore ask you to grant clemency to the Rosenbergs. Their execution would not serve justice or mercy but only revenge."

Following the large number of Europeans, among them Pablo Picasso, Alberto Moravia and Carlo Levi, who have appealed for clemency, the U. S. Embassy in London received a clemency appeal signed jointly by five British writers, Doris Lessing, John Coward, John Sommerfield, Montagu Slater and Jack Beckett.

In addition, the British National Assembly of Women has sent a clemency delegation to the U. S. Embassy.

The number of public meetings on the Rosenberg Case continues to grow. Today (Wednesday) the Canadian Civil Rights Union will hold a meeting at which B. Z. Goldberg, Jewish columnist, will speak. Tomorrow, Newark will hold its third large Rosenberg meeting at Wideway Hall, with Yuri Suhl, poet and novelist, and Mrs. Emily Altman, a neighbor of the Rosenbergs, as speakers.

In Washington tomorrow evening William A. Reuben, journalist, and Joseph Braintree, chairman of the National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case, will speak.

On Sunday, Rabbi Abraham Coubach, a dean of American rabbis, and David Altman, executive secretary of the Rosenberg Committee, will speak in Cleveland.

Boston will hold its second public Rosenberg meeting Saturday.

On Nov. 13, a clemency rally will be held at the Biltmore Hall, in Brooklyn. Chicago will likewise have a big clemency rally that evening.

On Nov. 19, a clemency rally will take place in the Bronx at the New Terrace Gardens, 2145 Boston Rd., Bronx, at which B. Z. Goldberg, Albert Kahn and others will speak.

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## Newark Rally Thursday for Rosenbergs

NEWARK, N. J., Nov. 4.—A mass meeting to appeal to President Truman to commute the death sentences of Ethel and Julius Rosenberg will be held Thursday evening in Wideway Hall, 929 Broad Street, Newark, by the New Jersey Committee for Clemency for the Rosenbergs.

Dr. Leonard Tusquet of Irvington, the committee's chairman, declared:

"This is the first time in the history of our country that a civil court has ordered the death sentence for such a charge. And it did this on the very questionable testimony of one man, David Greenglass.

"In the name of human decency and of humanity, because there will always be some elements of doubt," he asked for letters or telegrams to President Truman for clemency.

Yuri Suhl, poet and author of "One Foot in America," and Dr. Harry C. Ward, professor emeritus of Union Theological Seminary, will speak at the meeting.

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# **Theatre Rally Nov. 19 to Aid Rosenbergs**

Paul Robeson, Anton Refregier, Rockwell Kent, Robert Gwathmey, Ruby Dee, Armand D'Ussan, Ray Lee and Ossie Davis are among the many distinguished persons in the fields of theatre, music, writing and art who will sponsor a Theatre Rally to Secure Clemency for the Rosenbergs on Wednesday, Nov. 19 at 8:30 p.m. at Palm Garden, 308 W. 52 St. In speech and drama the theatre rally will present the facts of the Rosenberg case and will call upon President Truman to grant clemency to the Rosenbergs. Tickets at \$1 are available, Room 2 1050 Ave. of the Americas (4th Ave.) For reservations phone MU 7-5360.

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# Calif. Churchmen Urge Truman To Save Rosenbergs

By BUDDY GREEN

OAKLAND, Cal., Nov. 10.—A group of East Bay churchmen and doctors added their voices to the thousands protesting the death sentences pronounced on Ethel and Julius Rosenberg and in support of the campaign for executive clemency.

Rev. A. E. Williams, secretary of the state Baptist convention and pastor of Greater Faith Baptist church of Stockton, said:

"Personally I feel that the President should consent to reversal of the Rosenbergs' sentence on grounds that death for a charge of espionage has never been imposed on any American citizen."

Rev. C. J. Williams of Richmond, vice president of the Sunday School and Baptist training union of the state Baptist convention said:

"I don't like a spy even in church. If these people are guilty, they should be punished. But I don't think we should set a precedent by giving these people the death penalty, especially when it seems that sufficient evidence has not been presented against them."

Rev. J. L. Johnson, a pastor of St. John Baptist church of Vallejo, said in a letter, which he wrote to President Truman: "I feel the Rosenbergs are being treated unjustly before God and man.... You as President have the power to grant executive clemency and save their lives."

Rev. Johnson's letter briefly reviewed the case for the President and quoted scriptures from the Bible.

Dr. C. I. Collins of Vallejo said: "It sets an extremely dangerous precedent when a civil court can pronounce a death sentence because of someone's way of thinking. It sounds the death knell for American democracy."

Dr. Delphine Palm of Vallejo said: "As a practicing pediatrician I am appalled at this attack on free thinking American motherhood."

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## 400 in Newark Rally Back Plea For Rosenbergs

NEWARK, N. J., Nov. 10.—An audience of more than 400 at Wideway Hall here voted unanimously to send a telegram to President Truman urging executive clemency for Julius and Ethel Rosenberg. The crowd, many of whom also sent individual telegraphed appeals to the President, also contributed \$1,000 to the defense of the framed "spy" trial victims.

The meeting was sponsored by the New Jersey Committee for Clemency for the Rosenbergs.

A day prior to the meeting, a quarter-page ad by the committee appeared in the "Newark Evening News." Citing the 10 and 12-year jail terms for the war-time traitors, Axis Sally and Toyko Rosa, as compared to the death sentences for the Rosenbergs, the ad urged the public to write and wire appeals for clemency to the Jewish-American couple to Truman.

The meeting, chaired by Dr. Leonard Luskin, chairman of the New Jersey Committee, heard Dr. Harry F. Ward, professor emeritus, Union Theological Seminary; Yuri Suhl, author of "One Foot in America," and Mrs. Emily Altman, of the National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case.

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## B'klyn Rally Tomorrow for Rosenbergs

The Rev. Sandy Ray, Mrs. Helen Sobell and Mrs. Emily Alman will be the main speakers at a rally to save the lives of Julius and Ethel Rosenberg, to be held tomorrow night (Thursday) at the Biltmore, Flatbush and Church Aves., Brooklyn, the Committee of Volunteers to Secure Clemency for the Rosenbergs announced.

The meeting will also feature songs by Martha Schlammé.

The meeting will start at 8:30 p.m. Tickets are 50 cents.

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*For Humanity's Sake*  
**DON'T LET THEM DIE!**  
**Theatre Rally**  
**To Secure Clemency**  
**For the Rosenbergs**

*Featuring: "From the Record" — a living newspaper  
"Midnight Visitor" — a dramatic sketch by Edward Ellsen*

*Participants: Phoebe Brand, Morris Carnovsky, Howard daSilva,  
Lou Gilbert Ken Harcey, Milroy Ingraham, John T. McManus,  
Al Moss, Marjorie Nelson, Martha Schlamine, Helen Sobell  
and others*

**Wednesday, Nov. 19 — 8:30 P.M.**  
**Palm Garden, 306 West 52nd Street**  
Tickets \$1.00 at Room 2 — 1860 Sixth Ave. — Phone MU 7-3300

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QUEENS QUEENS

Attend Outdoor Rally To

**SAVE THE ROSENBERGS!**

**Saturday, Nov. 15 — 2 P.M.**

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U. S. Supreme Court Says "No"

Only You Can Save

The Rosenbergs

**Join With**

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David Burlink  
Morris Carnovsky  
Howard Da Silva  
Shirley G. DuBois  
Edward Eliscu

Paul Eluard  
Philip Evergood  
Howard Fast  
Waldo Frank  
Max Goberman  
Dashiell Hammett

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**Peace Committee of Japan — Congress of Intellectuals of Japan**

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Martha Schlamme  
Annia Seghers  
David Alfaro Siqueiros

— Tokyo Lawyers Corporate Office

**Tomorrow Night**  
Wednesday, Nov. 19—8:30 p.m.

**Theatre Rally to Secure Clemency for the Rosenbergs**

**PALM GARDENS, 306 West 52nd St.**

**TICKETS \$1.00 — ROOM 2 — 1050 SIXTH AVE. — PHONE MU 7-5360**

# What the Rosenbergs Trial Record Reveals

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Justice Hugo Black was on solid legal ground when he dissented from the latest Supreme Court ruling on Ethel and Julius Rosenberg and said the doomed couple's appeal should be considered. Divorced from the war-hysteria atmosphere, the verdict in this case could not stand a day in any court in the land. Here are some of the startling facts an examination of the testimony reveals:

The testimony of David and Ruth Greenglass on which the Rosenbergs were convicted, was the testimony of confessed spies who faced death. The Greenglasses also admitted they were enemies of the Rosenbergs.

The government's entire case rested on the Greenglass' uncorroborated testimony. The Court of Appeals admitted that without the testimony of the Greenglasses "the conviction could not stand."

David Greenglass is the brother of Ethel Rosenberg, but he admitted he was an enemy of Julius Rosenberg and that he faced a death sentence unless he could take guilt from his own shoulders and place it on the shoulders of another.

On March 12, 1951, Greenglass testified under cross examination concerning quarrels with Julius Rosenberg: "There were quarrels of every type and kind. I mean

there were arguments over personal, there were arguments over the way the shop was run, there were arguments over the way the outside was run. . . ."

Q. Did you ever come to blows with Julius?

A. No, I didn't.

Q. Don't you remember an incident when you were sitting in the corner candy store at Houston and Ave. D, when your brother Bernie had to separate the both of you?

A. It slipped my mind.

Q. What slipped your mind?

A. I mean I didn't remember it.

Q. Do you remember it now?

A. I do.

Q. Did you hit Julius?

A. I don't recall if I actually hit him. I don't recall what it was about. It was some violent quarrel over something in the business.

Greenglass' testimony that he stole the secret of the atom bomb has been called unbelievable by many of the world's leading scientists. Although he had no scientific training or experience he says he memorized the bomb's infinite complications by overhearing bits of conversation as he worked as a mechanic at the Los Alamos project. Because of this, he testified, he was able to draw a detailed plan of an atom bomb which he supplemented with 12 pages of hand-

writing which allegedly described its operation.

Had Dr. Harold C. Urey been called by the prosecutor, as the latter had announced he would do, Dr. Urey could have demolished Greenglass' testimony. On March 3, 1946, during a Congressional hearing, Dr. Urey testified:

"Detailed data on the atomic bomb would require 87 to 90 volumes of close print which only a scientist or engineer would be able to read. Any spies capable of picking up this information would get information more rapidly by staying at home and working in their own laboratories."

# URGE PLEAS TO TRUMAN TO BAR ROSENBERG EXECUTION JAN. 12

(Reprinted from late edition of *The Worker*)

the week of Jan. 12 as the date for the execution of Julius and Ethel Rosenberg. The judge refused to name the time for the legal murder of the framed Jewish-American father and mother in the motion of Nyles I. Lane.

**Emanuel Bloch, attorney for**

The Rosenbergs will be the first civilians ever to face execution in this nation on the charge of treason.

"The date was set without any regard for new legal motions, dealing with aspects of the case hitherto not presented to the court," the National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case charged. "Only an unprecedented nationwide appeal to President Truman can prevent the shame which the carrying-through of this sentence would bring to our cherished traditions of mercy and justice."

... appeal to the religious, political, labor leaders of our organizations of the ... to the ...

tions of Negro citizenry, to the great organizations of the women of the nation to all who believe that human life is too sacred to be surrendered to a moment of extreme social passion—send your appeal for clemency to the President now, send your representatives to appeal to him in person.

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# Japanese Scientists, Lawyers, Artists Ask Rosenbergs Be Freed

Four hundred Japanese scientists, artists, clergymen, writers and musicians and 36 Japanese lawyers have sent messages to the 'Theatre Rally' to secure clemency for the Rosenbergs to be held tonight (Wednesday) at Palm Garden, 306 W. 52nd St., N. Y. (The rally, sponsored by leading American theatre artists, is open to the public.)

Messages of support have also been received from novelist Anna Seghers, author of the 'Seventh Cross'; Dr. Hewitt Johnson, Dean of Canterbury, Martin Andersen Nexø, author of 'Telle, the Conqueror,' and 'Ditte'; Paul Eluard, French poet, and David Alfaro Siqueiros, Mexican painter.

The statement of the 400, organized in the Congress of Japanese Intellectuals in Tokyo, reads: "We, over 400 scientists, artists, clergymen, writers and musicians, unanimously agree with your appeal that the Rosenbergs should be set free at once. We believe that President Truman, the only person whose action can save the two, should order their immediate release."

The message of the 36 Japanese lawyers, organized in the Tokyo Lawyers Corporate Office, reads:

"We know that the Rosenbergs were convicted after only a two-week trial in spite of the impossibility of producing any substantial evidence. We know furthermore that there is no secrecy about atomic energy today. The key to nature is not given only to Americans but it is commonly shared by human beings all over the world. . . . We demand that President Truman repeal the death sentence."

The Japanese Peace Committee in Tokyo also wrote President Truman and Attorney General McGranery "deploring and condemning the irresponsible death sentence based on unsubstantiated charges against them."

Participating in tonight's theatre rally for the Rosenbergs will be Paul Robeson, Morris Carnovsky, John T. McMahon, Howard Da Silva, Lou Gilbert, Milroy Ingram, Al Moss and many others prominent in the arts, sciences and professions.

DaSilva and Carnovsky will appear in a dramatic sketch dealing with the case, entitled 'Midnight Visitor,' written by Erward Eliscu.

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# Chief Israel Rabbis Ask Clemency for Rosenbergs

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**JERUSALEM, Israel, Nov. 19-** Twenty religious leaders, including Israel's most prominent rabbis, joined here in an appeal to President Truman yesterday to save the lives of Ethel and Julius Rosenberg. Their petition flatly disputes the alleged guilt of the Jewish-American couple, doomed to die on the charge of giving the "secret" of the a-bomb to Russia.

Among the Israeli leaders urging clemency were representatives of the Mizrahi and Agudat Israel, the two major religious parties in Israel, and officials of the Chief Rabbinate, highest body of Israel Jewry.

Their petition to President Truman declared in part:

"We can hardly imagine that Jews anywhere in the world and

especially in a glorious country like the United States should act against the interests of the state. At least we are not aware of such an instance in the long history of the Jewish people."

"Similarly, we are not aware of any precedent where a person has been condemned to death in a democratic country for offenses alleged in this case in time of

peace."

The Israeli religious leaders urged Truman to spare the Rosenbergs as an act of humanity, and pointed out that even if the young father and mother were considered guilty they could not commit illegal acts while in prison.

**SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 19.-A** "chain reaction" to save Ethel and Julius Rosenberg from legal murder

was in motion today, spurred by 600 Bay Area citizens and churchmen.

The big push for executive clemency was launched at an emergency mass meeting.

Immediate objective, urged by distinguished speakers, was a flood of telegrams, letters, resolutions to President Truman asking that he commute the savage death sentence imposed on the New York couple, parents of two small children.

Many wrote letters to the President at the meeting. Close to \$1,000 was contributed to help in the campaign which includes sponsorship of newspaper advertisements in the Bay Area telling the story of the Rosenberg frame-up.

The tone of the meeting was set by Rev. D. D. Dews, minister of St. John's New Baptist church of San Francisco and a Negro leader, who delivered an impassioned speech in behalf of peace and human rights.

Another appeal for clemency by screen actress Lyle Szolga, blacklisted by the anti-Americans, presented a dramatic reading on the theme of great injustices of the past, in which governments took

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## Rosenbergs

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the lives of innocent persons for "patriotic" or other reasons.

Attorney Francis McTernan, civil rights lawyer, reviewed the trial of the Rosenbergs, explaining the government's method of getting a conviction within the law but in reality denying due process of law.

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 19.—In the midst of one of the worst rainstorms in years, 40 members of the Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case, picketing Democratic Party headquarters Saturday, passed out more than 3,000 pieces of literature to downtown shopping crowds.

The pickets faced hoodlums dressed in Marine Corps uniforms, which set off a protest by the Civil Rights Congress to U. S. Marine Corps Headquarters and brought out shore patrol crews—but no arrests.

Crowds responded in a friendly fashion to the pamphlets which called for immediate messages to President Truman, demanding clemency for Ethel and Julius Rosenberg.

House to house canvassers for the committee received heartening response from more than 1,200 families visited in the Santa Monica Bay area.

The householders signed more than 400 postcard appeals to President Truman and took several thousand committee tabloids to give to their friends.



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# What's On?

## Tonight Manhattan

"ISSUES REMAIN and Progressives Belie On" talk and round table discussion led by John T. McManus, Nov. 22 at 8:30 P.M., ALP, 24 Greenwich Ave. Adm. free.  
ANOTHER NEW COURSE: "Faction and the Struggle Against Federalism" with Harry K. Wells as instructor now being given as part of the 8-session post election courses. Registration and attend classes all week at the Jefferson School of Social Science, 575 Sixth Ave. (cor. 16th St.) WA 9-1800.

NATURE FRIENDS of America presents the Quaker Peace Film, "A Time for Greatness." Tonight, 8 p.m. Free admission. Yugoslav-American Hall, 401 W. 41st St.

## Coming

A BENEFIT DINNER for the Rosenberg's, Sunday afternoon, Nov. 23 at 3 p.m. Emceed by Dr. Clemmilia Paulson. Prof. Edwin Bruce Buehler. Reading poem by Mrs. Mildred Burzum. Entertainment at the Calvary House, 2899 Broadway (upstairs).

COME TO A CANDLELIGHT PARTY with Betty Sanders and other entertainment on Sat., Nov. 23. Also there'll be dancing and fun and fine foods to eat at the place where people are really having a fine time—the Lounge at the Jefferson School of Social Science, 575 Sixth Ave. (cor. 16th St.) Cont. 21.

SUNDAY FORUM presents a forum and film showing on "The Art of Charlie Chaplin" with speaker David Platt and 3 Chaplin film comedies on Sunday, Nov. 23 at 2:15 p.m. Refreshments. Cont. 11 (50c for students) at the Jefferson School of Social Science, 575 Sixth Ave. (cor. 16th St.) N.Y.C.

CIVIL RIGHTS Holiday Bazaar at 71 Fifth Ave. Friday, Nov. 21st, 4-12 p.m. Sat., Nov. 22nd, 1-11 p.m. Sun. Nov. 23rd, 1-11 p.m.

NATION-AMERICAN ARTISTS Society's Thanksgiving Party Sat., Nov. 22, beginning 10:30 p.m. at 31 W. 4th St. past Washington Sq. Hallian music, food, entertainment at 1:30 a.m. Hallian folk song and dance, drum solo, etc. Don't miss it. Donation 25c.

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# **Sunday Manhattan**

CLUB CINEMA presents "Chaplin" -  
higher, superb dramatic poem of the  
faded peasant leader. Friday, Saturday  
and Sunday, continuous shows starting  
8:30 p.m. at 430 Sixth Ave. (for 9th St.).  
\$1 for members; \$1.25 for non-members.

"COME TO BENEFIT DINNER for the  
Rosenbergs and Marion Sobell-Snyder  
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**EVL Street Rally  
Gets 100 to Sign  
Rosenberg Plea**

One hundred people signed post-cards urging clemency for Ethel and Julius Rosenberg, at an open air meeting held last Saturday at Norfolk and Delancy Sts. under the auspices of the East Side Labor Youth League. Despite the rain, at least 500 people heard appeals for the Rosenbergs made by Sarah Lichtenberg, Zucca Reibman and Evelyn Weiner.

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## NEW HAVEN ACLU URGES ROSENBERGS CLEMENCY

Clemency for Ethel and Julius Rosenberg has been urged by members of the executive committee of the New Haven chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union, it was disclosed yesterday by the National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case.

Among the signers of the New Haven statement were co-chairman Rabbi Robert E. Goldburg, of the Congregation Mishkan Israel; Theodore M. Greene, philosophy professor at Yale; Thomas I. Emerson, Yale Law School professor; Vern Countryman and David Haber, associate professors at Yale Law School; Rev. Theodore S. Ledbetter, pastor of the First Congregational Church, and others. (Organizations are listed for identification purposes only.)

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# 2,500 at Rally In Los Angeles For Rosenbergs

By Don Wheedin

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 28.—More than 2,500 persons packed the Embassy auditorium and contributed \$3,500 in a mighty protest demonstration against the unprecedented death sentence meted out to Ethel and Julius Rosenberg.

The huge turnout heard community spokesmen, spearheaded by labor, blast the death sentence as "monstrous" and call for a "mountain of protests" to President Harry Truman, urging him to grant commutation.

Reid Robinson, former International president of the Mine, Mill & Smelter Workers Union, told the overflow assembly:

"Labor's voice has not been heard as loudly as it should be in this case. . . . It's high time union leaders spoke out.

"Perhaps some labor leaders are getting too dignified. If they think respectability in the eye of the employers, is going to save them and that they can turn their backs on the Rosenbergs, they should read the history of the Warsaw ghetto."

## DELEGATES URGED

Robinson urged union rank and file delegations to visit such union leaders as Jacob Potofsky, president of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers, Ralph Helstein, president of the Packinghouse Workers and many others.

They should tell these union leaders to go see Harry Truman

in Washington and demand that he commute the Rosenberg death sentence. Truman more than owes it to them for the support they gave the Democratic administration in the recent lamented election," Robinson concluded.

Robert Kenney, former California attorney general, spoke as one who had read the entire transcript of the Rosenberg trial.

The four questions Kenney said people ask in regard to the Rosenberg case are: Are they guilty? Was their trial fair? Is the death sentence justified? Why did the Supreme Court refuse a review?

"There is not a single word of direct testimony or physical evidence against the Rosenbergs in the transcript," Kenney said.

Kenny pointed out that David Greenglass, the Rosenbergs' accuser, "actually was the man who worked in the Los Alamos atomic plant. The Rosenbergs were never arrested until long after Greenglass was taken into custody.

## COMPARISONS

"Why were these 'dangerous' people allowed their freedom for so long following Greenglass' ar-

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rest if they are guilty?" Kenny asked.

Gale Sondergaard, Academy award-winning actress, reviewed cases in history in which innocent persons were condemned to death for alleged traitorous activity.

Mrs. Dorothy Marshall, Catholic leader, spoke in the harshness of the death sentence and compared it with the "free-lon now enjoyed by the Koch and many Nazis stained with the blood of Jewish victims."

The Rosenberg trial was branded a legal lynching by Attorney William B. Eusterman, president of the Los Angeles Lawyers Guild.

A resolution urging executive clemency was adopted unanimously and sent to President Truman by the 2,500 persons who jammed every seat in the main auditorium into several smaller rooms.

The meeting was sponsored by the Los Angeles Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case, of which Mrs. Sophie Davidson is the chairman.

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# Queens Clerics Urge Pleas To Save the Rosenbergs

The National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case was informed yesterday that six leading Queens clergymen have addressed a letter to the religious leaders of Queens and Nassau calling upon the clergy to join with the signers in an appeal to President Harry S. Truman for clemency in the case of Julius and Ethel Rosenberg sentenced to death in the electric chair the week of January 12.

The clergymen - Rev. Charles J. Carrington, Rabbi Max Fishbein, Rev. Frederick Rensie, Rev. T. L. Ryan, Rev. Howard C. Shaffer, Jr. and Rev. Joseph Titus - asked their colleagues to write to the President to exercise his executive prerogative for clemency in the case which has created world-wide interest and concern.

"Will you join other religious leaders, says the letter, "in seeking the tempering of justice with

ably know, the major figures in the ring to which the Rosenbergs allegedly belonged - Klaus Fuchs, Harry Gold and David Greenglass, all self-confessed spies - received sentences ranging from 14 to 30 years. In Canada self-confessed spies received sentences ranging from two to 10 years. The Rosenbergs, still professing their innocence, have received the death penalty.

Surely you will agree that such an extreme penalty is completely alien to all of the moral tenets of justice and fairness which have always governed our democracy. Without entering into the question of innocence or guilt of this young couple, and completely dissociating ourselves from any ideological questions involved, we re-

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spectfully urge you to appeal to President Truman—either by letter or telegram—for clemency so that their lives may be spared. We hope, too, that you will sign the enclosed card so that we may list you as one of the religious leaders in the appeal for clemency.

"We who have signed this letter have done so as individuals—speaking for no church or synagogue, no congregation or group. But, as individuals, we do believe that executive clemency is in order for Ethel and Julius Rosenberg."

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 7.—"The political ice age in once warm, hearty and robust America, is silently creeping in, chilling rigid the wondrous courage of heretofore expressive Americans. Even the man on the street . . . claims up."

This prominent Jewish editor Samuel B. Gatch of The California Voice, this week called for a new flood of protests to President Truman to "save the Rosenbergs from brutal murder."

In his personal column, "In the Know," Gatch renewed his own attack on the "atom spy" death sentence of Julius and Ethel Rosenberg sentenced to die for alleged espionage.

"It is exactly nine months since this writer charged that Judge Irving Kaufman of New York was a victim of national hysteria—a scared Jew," wrote Gatch.

"And I said that was why Judge Kaufman had handed down the bestial sentence of death to two Jews . . . for lesser crimes than those for which others, in time of sanity, have received comparatively light prison sentences—or have gone scot free."

Gatch continued:

"We warned that execution of the Rosenbergs was against the said that Communists will make martyrs of the Rosenbergs; that domestic Hillers will wield their degradation as a cudgel against all best interests of America. We Jews; that Jews then will seek personal immunity by condemnation of anyone under attack—justified or otherwise."

Gatch added that "the Cedrus case more than justified our fears—a local Jewish editorial writer hysterically doubled it in snafes."

The reference was to the unbridled attack by owner-publisher Joseph Cummins in another Jewish weekly newspaper, The Final Fifth Messenger, against Dr. Alexander E. Peck and other Jewish doctors and lawyers who invoked protection of the Fifth Amendment before the Un-American Committee here recently.

Gatch said that he "abhorred" the political proclivities of the Rosenbergs, but added:

"We equally abhor the injustice of the sentence passed upon them. We abhor the precedent the sentence has set in American jurisprudence."

"If the Rosenbergs are executed," the editor continued, "the world will see it as punitive politics; as hysterical fear overriding judgment and justice. The end result would be the stimulation of less trust and less regard for America in the world."

"It is yet not too late to show the world that sanity still prevails in our USA, and that fear is as yet localized and has not spread to epidemic proportions. You can still

save the two Rosenbergs from brutal murder by writing President Truman for clemency."

Nine hundred and fifty men and women of Didsbury—a suburb of the industrial city of Manchester, England—have appealed by cable for clemency for Ethel and Julius Rosenberg to President Truman, it was announced yesterday by the Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case. The cable said that "even if the guilt of these people were really proved, which has not been the case from the reports given in the British press (this sentence), is unprecedented in the history of any civilized nation."

The committee also released statements received from Charles E. Raven, professor emeritus of Cambridge University and chaplain to Her Majesty the Queen, and Lord Charles of Kendal, formerly Cassel professor of law at the University of London.

Prof. Raven writes: "As one who has spent much time during the past 25 years in the United States and has a deep concern for Anglo-American friendship I cannot but deplore the death sentence upon the Rosenbergs, both in itself and from its inevitable effect upon British and world opinion."

"This savage verdict underlines the conviction that America instead of leading the world to a more righteous and liberal way of life is becoming so hysterical in its dread of Communism as to betray the very principles upon which the Constitution was founded and which its past history has always respected."

"The sentence of death whatever the merits of the case is a tragic event for all lovers of the Republic."

Lord Charles of Kendal stated: "I am strongly averse to the death penalty, and carrying out of the death sentence in such a case as this, I shall be glad to add my name in an appeal to the President for clemency."

# CIO, AFL, Ship Locals Ask Rosenbergs B

CIO United Shoe Workers Local 85, AFL Jewelry Workers' Local 1, N. Y. Board of Marine Cooks, of CIO Furniture Workers Local 140 and AFL Painters Local 904 are the latest union groups to call on President Truman to commute the death sentences of Ethel and Julius Rosenberg, the National Labor Committee for Clemency for the Rosenbergs has announced.

The CIO shoe local's action came at a recent meeting of its executive board, Julius Zelazo,

The National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case announced yesterday that it has obtained the largest hall in Washington, D. C.—the National Guard Armory—for the Clemency Gathering and Prayer Meeting in Washington on Sunday Jan. 4, 1953, at 10 a.m.

board chairman informed the Labor Committee.

The AFL Jewelers' Local, following unanimous approval of its executive board, authorized its president, Andrew Leredu, to send President Truman a telegram demanding that the AFL local takes no position on the Rosenbergs in the

case" but that "we feel very strongly that the death penalty in this case would constitute cruel and unusual punishment."

Alex Sirota, manager of CIO Furniture Local 110, wired President Truman: "On behalf of 2,500 members of our local unions, we urge you to exercise executive clemency in Rosenberg case. Regard of guilt or innocence of these people, our membership feels the death penalty is too severe and urges you to stop execution."

AFL Painters, Local 905 of Bronx at its meeting last Friday voted to request clemency for Julius and Ethel Rosenberg.

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## Martha Schlanine at Rosenberg Rally

Martha Schlanine, folk singer will headline the cultural program at a Save-the-Rosenbergs rally planned by the Williamsburgh community tonight (Wednesday) December 10, at 8:30 at Imperial Palace, 790 Broadway, Bklyn. (near Flushing Ave.).

Also on the program will be Edith Segal, whose poem, "My Loved One," inspired by the Rosenberg letters, has been presented at scores of meetings on behalf of the framed-up couple.

Speakers will include Mrs. Helen Sobell, wife of Morton Sobell who is now serving a 30-year prison term as a co-conspirator in the Rosenberg case, and a number of prominent community leaders. Admission is 50 cents.

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# **ROSENBERG PLEA**

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DETROIT, Dec. 14.—The 318 member General Council of Ford Local 600 of the CIO, United Auto Workers, speaking for 57,000 workers in the Rouge plant,

today requested that President Truman grant clemency to Julius and Ethel Rosenberg.

Carl Stellato, president of the local, speaking on the motion for clemency, said that the death

sentence meted out to the Rosenbergs was because they are Jewish. He said that the death sentence was imposed and carried out in the case of Willie McGee because he was a Negro, and

that both cases were comparable.

Stellato requested that the discussion on the motion for clemency should not be on the issue whether the Rosenbergs shall live or die, not whether they are

guilty or not guilty. The motion for clemency was made by Percy Llewellyn, one of the members of the local.

This is the first union in the UAW to speak out for clemency.

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# **'CLEMENCY TRAIN' SUNDAY, 10 A.M., AT GRAND CENTRAL**

The "Clemency Train" of men and women working to save the lives of Ethel and Julius Rosenberg will leave for Ossining, N. Y., from Grand Central Station, lower level, at 10 a.m. Sunday. The delegation visiting the "spy" frame-up victims at Sing Sing Prison is going by train only.

The Civil Rights Congress, in response to many inquiries on what might be brought to the Rosenbergs, indicated that flowers might be left at the prison as season's greetings for them.

Round-trip tickets for the "Clemency Train's" journey are available from the CRC, 23 W. 26 St. (ORegon 9-1637), open 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. and at workers' and progressive bookshops.

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# EMENCY DELEGATIONS WILL GO TO WASHINGTON JAN. 5

Hundreds of Americans of all creeds will go to Washington Jan. 5 to plead with top government officials—President Truman, Congressmen and Senators—for clemency for the Rosenbergs and commutation of the death sentence. Their electrocution is scheduled the week of Jan. 12. The an-

nouncement of this mass National Clemency Gathering on behalf of the two innocent martyrs was issued by the Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case, 1050 Sixth Avenue, New York, which has been playing a leading part in bringing the truth about this case to the nation and the world.

The Committee, which had obtained the Washington National Guard Armory for Jan. 4-5 for a mass clemency prayer and petition, found that its contract had been cancelled after it had been agreed to.

"We are emphasizing the Monday, Jan. 5, Clemency Gathering which will occupy itself with visits to the President, Senators, and Congressmen," the Committee said.

There will also be a Jan. 14 national conference in Washington of several hundred persons comprising leaders of the Rosenberg

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committees throughout the country and religious, professional and labor leaders active in the fight for clemency, the Committee also announced.

The Committee proposed:

- That all groups active on behalf of clemency plan every action, whether it be a public meeting, newspaper advertisement, delegation or other action in such a way as to gain the approval and cooperation of the largest and most representative body of persons.
- That every effort be made to secure the participation of religious, labor and professional groups, whether or not they have already spoken up for clemency, in the National Clemency Gathering, (Hall tickets available for New York participants at \$12 round trip.)
- That every city and town send participants to the Clemency Vigil (a 24-hour vigil at the White House, beginning on the evening of Dec. 27 and continuing every day). Further information may be obtained by communicating with the Washington Rosenberg Committee, 1867 Kalorama Road, NW, Washington, D. C. Tel CO 5-6392.
- That letters and delegations go to every Senator and Congressman on the weekends that they are home, that delegations go to see mayors and other city officials, and that governors likewise be visited. All should be asked to speak up for clemency, privately or publicly.
- Every clergyman, regardless of faith, should be asked to give a sermon urging his congregation to write to President Truman to grant clemency.
- Every person of some prominence, whether lawyer, doctor, humane leader, or other, regardless of his or her position on any other issue of our time, should be written to and visited.
- Every city and every community, where a clemency committee or group exists, should make every effort to obtain advertising space in the city and community newspapers.
- Door-to-door, street-by-street visits, distribution of printed material, and solicitation of letters and wires to the President. Also community-wide mailings, cutting across all voters lists.

The Committee repeated its urgent appeal for \$50,000 to finance the last few weeks' activity: ads, last-minute investigative work, mailings, radio programs and other actions.

# POETS AND THE ROSENBERGS

NEW YORK.

Editor, Feature Page:

I was very glad to see the "Poems on the Times We Live In" which you featured in your Dec. 12 issue, three of which dealt with the Rosenbergs, one with Elizabeth Cady Stanton, and one with the black prospect that our children face. These young poets are the voice of the people's conscience and the people's will. You performed a service for the people in printing these poems.

... Can you tell me what Carl Sandburg and Robert Frost and the other big names in poetry are doing on the Rosenberg Case? Is "Poetry, a Magazine of Verse," edited by Karl Shapiro, calling on poets to contribute sonnets and ballads about Ethel and Julius?

The reason I ask, is that when I turn to the classic poetry of England, I find that in former days the finest poets were indignant at injustice and at tyranny. When the British military rode on horseback into the workers' demonstration at Manchester, England, in 1819, and killed many of the workers, no less a poet than Percy Bysshe Shelley wrote his famous "Song to the Men of England";

Men of England, wherefore

flow  
For the lords who lay ye low?  
Whencefore weave with toil and care  
The rich robes your tyrants wear?

And in 1887, when the British police attacked a socialist parade in London and killed one of the workers, it was William Morris who said, in his "Death Song":

Not one, not one, nor thousands must they slay.  
But one and all if they would dusk the day.

All through our literature runs a red thread of hatred of oppression and love of freedom. Our own Whittier wrote fiery poems against slavery; Lowell penned his "stanzas on Freedom" (which, I've been informed, the Texas board of education won't allow to be taught in that state; but I taught it there!); Emerson visited Thoreau in prison, just as John Keats earlier visited Leigh Hunt in prison in England.

... What has happened to the "great" American versificers who live today? There was a time when all our important poets praised John Brown as a hero, though the government hanged him. Our major poets today are afraid even to mention Julius Rosenberg!

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# Vigil Opens at White House in Fight for Rosenbergs' Life

A 24-hour a day vigil before the White House asking a change of sentence for Ethel and Julius Rosenberg, innocent victims of a fantastic "atom spy" frameup, began late Saturday afternoon. Responding to the appeal of the Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case, pickets marched slowly up and down across the street from the President's residence at the east side of the White House.

The pickets carried signs quoting the opinions of prominent people on the death sentence, the first ever scheduled in peacetime in the history of the United States for alleged espionage. Among those quoted were Rev. Bernard Loomer, dean of the Divinity School University of Chicago, and Rabbi Cronbach of Cincinnati, urging clemency.

The Rosenbergs, parents of two small boys, face the electric chair the week of Jan. 12 at Sing Sing prison, New York. In the trial which convicted them amid ter-

rific hysteria whipped up by the press and the government not a shred of evidence was adduced against them. Despite the systematic lying in the press, they were not charged with having given a so-called "atomic secret" to a foreign power, since there is no proof in existence to prove such a charge. They were convicted of "conspiring" to transmit such a "secret" which scientists have recently stated does not exist. The sole "evidence" against them is the unsupported word of David Greenglass, an ex-GI seized by the FBI and threatened with heavy penalties.

The vigil will continue for 14 days, or until clemency is won. The committee, which is at 1059 Sixth

Ave., New York City, is urging all persons to come to the Jan. 5 clemency gathering in Washington to visit Congressmen, President Truman and other high officials.

Abe Weisburd, secretary of the labor committee for clemency for the Rosenbergs, urged all unions to support the vigil and the Jan. 5 gathering.

Tomorrow morning (Tuesday) at 10:30 a.m., Judge Kaufman will hear arguments on defense petitions for a reduction of sentence, in open court at the Federal Court building, Foley Square.

In Paris, 5,000 persons unanimously urged clemency, at a mass meeting chaired by the world famous artist, Pablo Picasso.

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# Einstein Asks Truman To Save Rosenbergs

## BULLETIN

Dr. Albert Einstein asked President Truman yesterday to commute the death sentence of Julius and Ethel Rosenberg. It was learned as the Daily Worker went to press. In a letter to the President, Einstein cited the reasons "set forth so convincingly by my distinguished colleague, Harold G. Urey."

The State Department is feeling the tremendous pressure of world opinion for the commutation of the death sentence in the case of Ethel and Julius Rosenberg. Making a survey of European sentiment from the vantage point of Rome, Italy, the foreign news service of the Chicago Daily News comes to the following conclusion:

"An act of mercy to save the Rosenberg couple from the electric chair might be poor law in the United States but it would be very smart politics for America in the eyes of the world."

The survey adds, through its writer, George Weller:

"Many non-Communist Europeans feel that the Rosenbergs are actually scapegoats to cover past errors in American foreign policy."

This is an obvious reference to the fact that Judge Kaufman who sentenced the two East Side parents to death for the first time in American history in such a case of alleged "conspiracy to commit espionage" was trying to blame the Rosenbergs for the Korean war.

The Ottawa Citizen, a conservative paper, asks Washington for clemency for the Rosenbergs who were scheduled to be executed January 14, but whose plea to President Truman is now in his hands and await action.

"Many thoughtful people," says this influential Canadian paper, "in the USA and elsewhere feel that clemency should be granted."

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# On the East Side--March for Life

By ART SHIELDS

Two hours on a vigil line for the Rosenbergs is an inspiring experience. So many men and women expressed their sympathy as we marched back and forth in front of the Loew's Delancey St. theatre with Rosenberg placards and leaflets. And only three folks out of hundreds said any unpleasant things as they passed.

The Rosenberg vigil line had been winding back and forth for hours by midnight last night. It hasn't stopped for a minute since it began at 8 p.m. last Friday. And it has brought its appeal to save the lives of the brave young couple to many thousands of people in these four days.

The marchers pace back and forth on Delancey Street between Norfolk and Suffolk Streets. This is in the heart of

Manhattan's East Side, and near the East River. It is in the midst of the neighborhood where Ethel and Julius Rosenberg were brought up. And the friends and schoolmates of the Rosenbergs are in the friendly crowds that greet the marchers.

The ghastly death sentence—which may be carried out next week—has horrified the young couple's friends and acquaintances, whether they believe in their innocence, as many do, or not.

"I lie awake at night thinking about this sentence," one of the Rosenberg's acquaintances told another vigil marcher.

"It's just too much."

Mothers, grandmothers, aunts and uncles come out with their families on the vigil line. One sometimes sees young mothers pushing their red-cheeked little

ones in baby carriages. Mothers have even come with their babies in arms. And school boys and girls join the line in the late afternoon and evening.

## BIGGER AT NIGHT

Night vigil lines are the best. In fact there are bigger marching lines at 2 a.m. than at 2 p.m. And the march never stops.

Demonstrators march two hours or more each. No time limit is set by the Manhattan Committee for Justice to the Rosenbergs. If the marchers' feet hold out. And hot coffee and hot tea and cake are ready for tired marchers at the vigil headquarters at 158 Rivington St. The cake is contributed by friendly merchants.

The big East Side event next Saturday night is a mass rally for clemency for the Rosenbergs at Delancey and Norfolk Sts.

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# Chevrolet Local Asks Rosenberg Clemency

By MILTON HOWARD

The executive board of the large Chevrolet local 659 of the CIO United Auto Workers voted 9-2 to ask President Truman to grant clemency to Ethel and Julius Rosenberg.

East Side mother and father who, for the first time in American history, has been sentenced to death in peace time for alleged espionage. The local has 20,000 members.

A copy of the resolution was forwarded to the UAW international office.

At the same time, the weekly New Republic, come out editorially for Presidential clemency. The magazine says it believes "that the Rosenbergs' sentence should be commuted to life imprisonment," not because it questions their guilt but "for the sake of America's worldwide position. Millions of non-Communists in countries allied with us are troubled by the severity of these sentences." The weekly magazine The Nation has similarly urged clemency though expressing more doubt about the verdict itself.

Observers watching the progress of the people's campaign for executive clemency have noted with alarm that with every day, every hour crucial, there has been a certain falling-off of activity for clemency.

This coincides with the appearance of an organized "let-them-die" campaign which clearly comes from high quarters. The "let-them-die" drive was announced with the appearance a week ago of a top committee which included C. E. Wilson of General Motors, Samuel Rosenman, and Dr. D. Poling.

Since then, a tremendous newspaper campaign in the Hearst and Scripps-Howard press has been unfolded based on the falsehoods of the Oliver Pilot series in the New York Post. All of this propaganda is based on the unsupported and unproved story of the one key government witness, David Greenglass, and on the hysterical myth of an "atomic secret." That there was not one piece of evidence to corroborate Greenglass, or that nothing was ever submitted to show that the Rosenbergs had ever engaged in any espionage or had even met any agents of a foreign power is conveniently overlooked in this "kill-the-Rosenbergs" propaganda.

This propaganda is having its effect, however, some leading participants in the clemency fight note. They cited yesterday the fact that some leading trade unions whose top leadership had privately expressed their desire clemency, still failed to take action as a result of the new pressure against clemency.

At the same time, in addition to the 1,500 leading Protestant clergymen, Dr. Albert Einstein and Dr. Harold Urey, atomic scientists, who have asked President Truman to commute the death sentence, another large group is expected to make a similar appeal.

It was strongly urged yesterday that the "kill-the-Rosenberg" propaganda coming from sources which were jolted by the tremendous world protest should be challenged by new people's activities. It is urged that the clemency appeal be taken to local community leaders, to Mayors, Congressmen, clergy-

men, and to neighborhoods. Trade unions are especially urged to join the clemency drive since behind the "kill-the-Rosenbergs" drive are some of America's worst labor-haters.

It is also urged that ads be placed in newspapers reprinting the statements of Dr. Urey, Dr. Einstein, Dr. Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, and the leading clergymen already mentioned. This material is available at the Committee to Secure Justice for the Rosenbergs, 1050 Sixth Ave., New York City. In New York City an around-the-clock vigil is being held on Delancey St. at Suffolk and Norfolk near the Loew's Delancey Theatre. The headquarters are at 158 Livingston St. A request for volunteers has been issued to keep the vigil going day and night. President Truman has until Jan. 20 to act.

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# An Open Letter to Upton Sinclair About the Case of the Rosenbergs

Dear Upton Sinclair:

Many years ago you were good enough to help me with an article that I was writing on the mistreatment of American literature in Hollywood films.

I am now appealing to you, the author of *The Jungle*, *Brass Check*, *Boston*, *Oil*, *King Coal*, *The Goose Step* and other famous works of social protest, to lift your voice for clemency for Ethel and Julius Rosenberg.

These two people were convicted on much less evidence than the evidence that sent to death the innocent Nicola Sacco and Bartolomeo Vanzetti—whose life and death you told so well in your fine novel, *Boston*, a novel that helped me and others to better understand the horror of the crime committed against them by the State of Massachusetts.

Such authorities as Dr. Albert Einstein and Dr. Harold C. Urey, Nobel Prize winners, who probably know more about atomic secrets than anyone in America, have asked for clemency for the Rosenbergs because they see gaping holes in the government's case against them.

I am appealing to you, Upton Sinclair, to join your illustrious name to theirs and to others like Jean Paul Sartre, Herbert Read, Jean Cocteau, Martin Anderson-Nexo, Sylvia Townsend Warner, Waldo Frank, Diego Rivera, David Siqueiros, Mme. Romain Rolland and Julien Benda who have asked for clemency.



UPTON SINCLAIR

And to Vincenzina Vanzetti sister of the martyred Bartolomeo whom we all loved, who from her home in Italy wrote to our President: "I want to cherish the great hope that you will want to listen to and accept the appeal of a humble woman to whom the great pain suffered gives the strength to implore from you an act of justice."

I cannot believe, Upton Sinclair, that you will remain silent and let the Rosenbergs die for a crime they did not commit.

I cannot believe this of the man of social conscience who wrote about little children who toil from sunup to sundown in Southern cotton mills, of mothers who sew by candlelight in tene-  
ment garrets to keep fatherless

families together, "of the man who lies upon a bed of agony, wrestling in his last sickness and leaving his loved ones to perish."

I cannot believe this of the man who wrote so eloquently of miscarriage of justice in the novel, *"Boston,"* of the crisis in our schools and colleges in *"The Goose Step"* and *"The Costings,"* of the corruption of the press in *"The Brass Check"* of the horrors of industrial slavery in *"The Jungle"* and *"King Coal,"* who wrote about the insulted, injured and oppressed caught beneath the wheels of "the juggernaut of greed!"

In your best works, you spoke with the voice of the millions, the voice of humanity calling for deliverance!

You spoke of "the everlasting soul of Man, arising from the dust; breaking its way out of its prison—rending the bands of oppression and ignorance—groping its way to the light!"

Dear Upton Sinclair, as a long-time student and admirer of those books of yours that cried out against injustice I am appealing to you to speak this again—for clemency for the Rosenbergs.

Do this and you will give inspiration and courage to many, many others who fear to speak out!

Sincerely,

DAVID PLATT,  
Daily Worker,  
Feature Editor.

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### **Clemency Plea Broadcast**

SANTA ROSA, Calif., Jan. 15—A plea for clemency for Julius and Ethel Rosenberg by Rev. Stephen Fritchman, was brought to citizens of Sonoma county last week in an evening broadcast over KSRO.

The broadcast in behalf of the young people condemned to death in an "espionage" frameup, was preceded by a paid open letter to President Truman placed in both the Santa Rosa Press Democrat and The Petaluma Argus-Courier.

"Never in the history of our American justice has the death penalty been influenced for the crime with which the Rosenbergs are charged," the letter pointed out.

"Little but bitterness and his-  
repute for our courts can be gained  
if his harsh and unpardonable  
sentence is allowed to be carried  
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## THE PROTESTS MOUNT

THE STATE DEPARTMENT and the press have joined in hysterical outcries to cover up the Project X murder plot in Moscow. This is intended in part, at least, to stem and to dissolve the now world-wide movement on behalf of Ethel and Julius Rosenberg.

Ten days ago the State Department brought Benjamin Bradlee, press attache in the Paris embassy, to the U.S. to prepare a massive propaganda drive to justify the execution of the innocent couple facing death in Sing Sing's execution chamber. Bradlee prepared a campaign document which has been distributed to 40 countries with a view to countering the sentiment for clemency. (For reasons best known to the State Department, this document has not been made available in the U.S.)

But the State Department's efforts abroad have been in vain. Instead of the tumult being stilled, it has risen. Instead of world public opinion being silenced, new voices have joined in the plea for executive clemency.

The State Department, the Scripps-Howard and Hearst press—which have headed the campaign for destroying Ethel and Julius Rosenbergs—are attempting to twist Moscow revelations to their own criminal purposes. They aim to deluge the growing movement for clemency with thousands of words in which they try to transform the uncovering of a Project X murder into anti-Semitism.

In respect to both issues—the plot in Moscow, and the Rosenberg case—the State Department does not face an ignorant public.

People in Europe will recall that another recent Project X enterprise—exposed only a few months ago—the proposed murder of German right-wing Socialists by a group of Nazis.

Is it beyond the possibility of doubt, people in Europe will ask, that the Project X directors who could foster a Nazi gang—whose stated purpose was to murder West German Socialist leaders—would not utilize every possible avenue to murder Soviet leaders?

The people of the 40 countries to which the State Department has circulated its kill-the-Rosenbergs document will not be swayed—by the most slippery arguments—from the thought that the cry for the Rosenbergs' death sounds chillingly like an echo out of Europe's Nazi past.

But the State Department's propaganda failure in Europe will not of itself save Ethel and Julius Rosenberg. These are crucial days. It is here in the U. S. that the issue—life, not death, for the Rosenbergs—must be resolved. It can only be resolved if the campaign for clemency mounts with each passing day.

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# World of Labor

by George Morris



## What Rosenberg Case Means to Labor

**THIS IS BEING WRITTEN** as minutes tick away towards the life or death deadline for the Rosenbergs. Until quite recently, the movement to save the Rosenbergs seemed small. Even some progressives in labor leadership, I am sorry to say, limited their opinions to private circles. But the protest movement that seemed like a trickle a few short weeks ago is fast swelling into a torrent of anger. The close proximity of death for the condemned couple has moved the conscience of millions.

Albert Einstein, the great scientist, summarizes the feeling that has come over great masses when he wrote the President "My conscience compels me to urge you to commute the death sentence of Julius and Ethel Rosenberg."

A pro-clemency petition signed by 1,500 leading Protestant clergymen of the country is inconceivable without a groundswell of support for the movement. The movement for clemency is just as strong among Jewish rabbis and people in science, art, and other fields of culture.

So tremendous is the movement for clemency that even Walter Winchell who has been screaming death for the Rosenbergs, put out a story that clemency is likely. Winchell may mean it, or he may be interested in putting down the growing tide of protest. The important point is that the Rosenberg case has become an issue on the front pages of every newspaper in the country. The dam is broken. It no longer takes special courage to speak out on the Rosenberg issue.

**BUT WHY** are the leaders of labor still timid? With the exception of a very small minority, with as yet not a single one of the top CIO or AFL heads among them, only a handful of unions or union leaders have spoken out.

You hear occasionally of some leaders whose minds are paralyzed, who say they will intercede with the President or a judge, but God forbid that any-

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which the labor leaders themselves fear will come in extra-strong doses from here on.

FINALLY, as every labor leader knows only too well, the main element among those who are screaming today for the blood of the Rosenbergs are the same people who also howl the loudest against labor. They are the anti-Semites, the champions of the Walter-McCarran Law, the most rabid thought-control mobsters and union-busters of every description.

These are the people who are now pressing for a death penalty in peacetime for what they may classify as "espionage." They want a rehearsal in Sing Sing for the next stage of their thought-control drive and their drive against labor in general. They are watching with interest this stony silence of the labor movement on the Rosenberg case. They will surely see in it a barometer of labor resistance and be encouraged to new and more drastic steps.

The Scripps-Howard and Hearst press especially are whipping up a "death to the Rosenbergs" campaign in their pages because they are most anxious to keep the people, especially the labor leaders, frightened. I say to these leaders of labor, if the Rosenbergs are electrocuted, you will long rue the day it happened. The minutes are ticking away fast. You can still send your wire to President Truman and demand clemency for the Rosenbergs.

thing be said in public of their effort. I'd like to confront these silent labor leaders with Einstein or Urey, the two who probably had more to do with the atomic program than any other two men in America. They not only told the world they are for clemency, but, on the basis of their authority as atomic scientists, questioned the guilt of the Rosenbergs.

Could it be that anti-Communism is so deepseated in these leaders of labor that it blinds them and blacks out their very conscience? That they even forget their own abhorrence of capital punishment? This cowardice, if it continues, can have extremely serious repercussions for the labor movement. In the first place the great number of people who are calling for clemency, are left wondering if labor is as advanced or as hind part of our population. Second, the public will conclude from the silence of the labor leaders that they will cave in against attacks

## Bronx Sound Trucks Spread Clemency Plea

Sound truck speakers carried the clemency appeal for Ethel and Julius Rosenberg through the Bronx at half a dozen outdoor meetings Saturday. Save-the-Rosenbergs leaflets, totaling about 25,000 were distributed in the Bronx last week.

Icy weather didn't stop crowds from listening to the sound truck appeals on Saturday. And the crowds were sympathetic. By-standers told a Daily Worker reporter, they earnestly hoped the death house killings could be prevented.

The name of Albert Einstein on the side of the sound truck roused much favorable comment.

"Einstein ought to know. If he says he doesn't believe David Greenglass (the only leading prosecution witness) I don't either," one garment worker said.

The speakers' points were simple and clear. The greatest atomic scientists cannot accept the evi-

dence against the Rosenbergs, and there is widespread doubt among other thinking men and women about their guilt.

The speakers also emphasized the injustice of killing the Rosenbergs, who steadfastly proclaimed their innocence, while admitted traitors like Tokio Rose got only a few years in prison.

Meetings were held on such busy corners as Jennings St. and Wilms Ave.; Claremont Parkway and Batigate Ave.; Tremont and Prospect Aves.; Allerton and Holland Aves. and Burnside and Morris Aves.

The Bronx Committee for Justice for the Rosenbergs opens its headquarters today at 1721 Boston Road.

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# Mother's and a Rosenberg Leaflet

Here is how it was, handing out material on the Rosenbergs to parents going into a Parent Teacher Association meeting at a public school in northern Manhattan Wednesday night.

We were two of us outside the school entrance, a man and a woman. We gave each incoming parent two things, a community leaflet featuring statements for clemency by religious leaders and bearing an appeal to clip and mail to the President, and a fact booklet on the case put out by the Committee to Secure Justice.

Of those who entered, perhaps 10 or 50 persons, only one displayed open hostility upon seeing what the material was about. This one crumpled up the leaflet and

booklet and threw them aside with a sharp gesture. Everyone else, including the one man who went in, either folded the material up and tucked it away to look at again or continued right on in the door still reading it. The women with me had mentally prepared an answer to any redbaiting she encountered, a calm, smiling, "Would you call Albert Einstein, Harold Urey and 1,500 Protestant ministers Communists?" But she never had the chance to say it, because nobody said a thing about Communists!

In fact, there were only two verbal exchanges of any kind. At one group of three women approached the entrance we could hear one say, "I wager this is

about the Rosenberg case. When the woman took the material and looked at it, the woman who had made that remark said, "See, I told you, I guessed by looking at them." At which I ventured, "I'm going to assume that's a compliment, that we look like human beings," and the lady warmly said, "That's right."

And there was the woman, alone, who took the material and started to read it as she continued walking toward the door. Her steps were slower and slower. Just short of the door she stopped. Then she turned and came back to me. Her face was drawn tight as though with pain. "What can we DO?" she said with a low treble cry. "What can we DO?" ... T. R.

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# TRADE UNION THROUGHOUT WORLD RAISE VOICES FOR:

## FRANCE

Among the many trade union organizations throughout the world who have appealed to President Truman for clemency to the framed Ethel and Julius Rosenberg are:

- Union of Plastic Artists of France (800 artists).
- General Confederation of Workers.
- Federation of Unions of the Paris Region.
- Federation of Railroad Workers.
- Federation of Sand Hogs.
- Skin and Leather Workers Federation.
- Paper Workers Federation.
- Federation of Federal Workers.
- National Technical Teachers Federation.
- General Union of Municipal Workers.
- General Trades Council of Lower Seine.
- Trade Union Council of St. Etienne.
- Regional Committee of Railroad Workers of the Western Region.
- Union of Railroad Workers of Paris-Rive-Ouest.
- Railroad Workers Union of Sottenville-Quatre-Mars eshops.
- Railroad Workers of the Central Service of the 9th (Paris District).
- Subway and bus workers.
- Electricity and gas workers.
- Building workers.
- Metal workers.
- Glass workers.
- Postal workers.
- Gas Works d'Allortville (Marseilles).
- National Union of Port and Dock Workers.
- 63,000 members of Paper Box Workers.
- Workers and officials—typographical workers of SERP Paris (Ile).
- Workers of Medical Center of Malakoff.
- Glass Workers of Nesle-Neumande.
- Paris-Ouest Railroad Workers (right bank).
- Union of Traveling Salesmen of Paris.
- Chemical Workers Union of Nice.
- Union of Subway Workers, Paris, affiliated with CGT.

# CLEMENCY

800 Metal Workers d'Annemasse (state of Haute-Savoie).  
CGT Cortes du Nord.  
400 Workers of Chambéry (Grenoble) joint telegram.  
Union of subway and bus workers (RATP).  
Workers of Central Power House of France (Gas and electricity).  
National Union of Technical Educators.  
Union of State Workers, Department of Seine-Inférieure.  
General Union of Municipal and County Workers.  
Seven publishing houses of Paris—all personnel.  
LMT Factory answered joint appeal by Christian Trade Unions, CGT, Socialists, Communists, etc. LMT is an automobile plant of Reimsault.  
Railroad workers of Toulon.  
Administration workers of Villeminil (near Paris).  
Union of Shop workers in the subways (Choisy).  
Workers of Dassault Aviation plant (Argenteuil).  
National Union of Miners.  
Workers of Government Car Works (Paris).

## ITALY

Trade Unions International of Agricultural and Forestry Workers.

## LATIN AMERICA

Latin American General Confederation of Labor.

## TRIESTE

Confederazione Sindicati Unici, trade union center of the Free Territory of Trieste, affiliated with the World Federation of Trade Unions.

## Metallurgical Union.

The 3,700 workers of San Marco shipyards.  
St. Andrea machine shops, employing 2,000 workers.  
The ILVA steel mills, employing 1,300 workers.  
San Rocco shipyards with 800 workers.  
Two big oil refineries, Aquila and the employees of the Standard Oil Company numbering 800 workers.  
The Arsénale shipyards, employing 1,300 workers.

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# **Newark News Ad Urges People to Act**

NEWARK

A QUARTER PAGE AD in the Newark News last week urged Jersey residents to write or wire President Truman at once to commute the death sentences of Julius and Ethel Rosenberg. The ad was paid for by the New Jersey Committee for Clemency for the Rosenbergs.

The ad, in form of an open letter to President Truman said: "Our Constitution gives you the right, and lays upon you the duty to render EQUAL JUSTICE. We respectfully urge you to render such EQUAL justice by commuting the death sentences of Ethel and Julius Rosenberg. . . . Dr. Harold Urey, the Nobel Prize winner in atomic research, has publicly expressed his doubts as to the evidence. . . . Leading atomic scientists have repeatedly and publicly stated that there is no 'Secret' about the atomic bomb which could have been divulged."

A long list of prominent Americans who have spoken for clemency was attached. They include: Rabbi Silver, Dorothy Day, editor Catholic Worker, Dr. DuBois, six Catholic laymen, Rabbi Schiff, Rev. John Paul Jones and others.

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# Negro, Mexican Jewish Leaders At Mercy Rally

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 15.—More than 350 persons jammed the Eastside's Folkshule Monday night to join the campaign for clemency on behalf of Ethel and Julius Rosenberg.

Negro, Mexican-American and Jewish leaders stressed the need for unity among themselves and with the great body of Americans "who will support the clemency fight once they know the facts."

Cleophas Brown, president of the Los Angeles Negro Labor Council, declared there is a grow-

ing understanding of the relation between the fight to save the Rosenbergs and that made to save Willie McGee, executed by the state of Mississippi two years ago.

Mrs. Oda Alvarez, 1952 Independent Progressive party candidate for Congress, reminded the audience that the Mexican-American people are familiar with frameups.

"Our own struggle for first class, free and equal citizenship," she said, "will be joined in the struggle of others to resist oppression."

Attorney Ben Margolis said the Rosenberg case had all the aspects of a frameup.

"No scientists ever were produced," Margolis said, "and the other witnesses in the main were police agents."

The meeting was sponsored by nearly two dozen Eastside union, business and community leaders. George Hadow of the Fur & Leather Workers was chairman.

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# Spokane Church Council Plans Aid to Rosenbergs

**SPOKANE, Wash., Jan. 19.**—The Spokane Council of Churches has agreed to act in a campaign to save the lives of Julius and Ethel Rosenberg, it was made known here by a spokesman for the Council of Churches Rights Congress. The CRC reported that a spokesman for the Council of Churches

pledged the council will do "all they can" to halt the execution.

The stand followed the presentation of factual material on the case to the council by a CRC delegation two weeks ago.

## 2 UNIONS ACT

At least two trade unions acted officially to join the campaign for clemency.

The executive board of CIO International Woodworkers Local 23-75, in Sedro-Woolley, unanimously voted to wire the President.

The membership of AFL Shipscalers and Drydock Workers Local 589, in Seattle, took similar action at a meet attended by about 70 workers.

Efforts of the Seattle Committee for Justice in the Rosenberg Case to get radio time on KRKL were blocked when the station unexpectedly refused to air a 30-minute program already paid for.

A spokesman for the station indicated that station owner Lamar Ostrander had refused to permit the program to be broadcast. Although the committee's payment was refused, possibilities of legal action against the station are being explored.

CRC state director John Darschbach reported that hundreds of names are being obtained to last-minute clemency petitions being circulated throughout the state.

## TACOMA

In Tacoma, 60 persons attending a film program filled out personal post-cards to the President calling for clemency.

In Bellingham, 84 persons signed a mass telegram.

In Portland, delegates to a Smith Act defense conference unanimously demanded clemency.

The organization of long-distance calls to the White House by citizens in the neighborhood was urged this week by the Rosenberg committee and CRC.

Appearances before trade unions and other organizations were being arranged by Mrs. Irene Mensalvas, who recently returned from participation in a mass vigil for clemency at the nation's capitol.

In neighborhood areas in Seattle, leaflet distributions and petition mobilizations were being organized.

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## Churchmen Sign Newspaper Plan

CHICAGO.—Twenty community newspapers here this week carried an appeal for Presidential clemency in the Rosenberg case, signed by 17 church, labor and community leaders.

The large ad, appearing in North Side papers, stated that there were differences among the signers on the question of the Rosenbergs' alleged guilt, "but all of us believe that the death sentence is too harsh."

Church leaders signing the statement were: Alexander A. Bakken, Rabbi Joseph Buchler, Rev. Albert W. Buck, Rabbi David Grubart, Rev. Joseph P. King, Rabbi Aaron M. Rine, Rev. Philip C. Van Zandt, Rev. Maurice E. Wagner, Rabbi S. Burr Yampol.

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## Push Plea for Rosenbergs in New Jersey

### NEWARK

A 43-CAR MOTORCADE toured the city's business and residential areas here last week with the message "Clemency for the Rosenbergs." The motorcade, organized by the New Jersey Committee to Secure Justice for the Rosenbergs, was carried through despite a freezing rain, and FBI attempts at intimidation by taking pictures.

Thousands of leaflets "The People Speak Out on the Rosenberg Case" were distributed over the weekend in Newark.

Dr. Leonard Tushnet led the New Jersey delegation to Washington that visited congressmen and senators on Jan. 5. Several carloads of Jersey residents drove to Washington during the week, to help man the picket line, in the round-the-clock vigil in front of the White House.

IN ASBURY PARK a half hour radio program dramatizing the fight to save the Rosenbergs was broadcast over WJLK. A quarter page ad appeared in the Asbury Park Press, and more than 3,000 leaflets on the case were distributed in the past two weeks.

In Trenton, 11 community leaders issued an open appeal to the President urging clemency for the two. This was the first time Trenton papers have reported the growing movement for clemency in the Trenton area.

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## Presbyterians Call for Mercy

CHICAGO.—Parishioners of the Olivet Presbyterian Church this week asked President Truman to spare the lives of Julius and Ethel Rosenberg "as an act of Christian mercy."

The appeal to Truman, signed by a church elder, R. E. Baur, asked the President for clemency on the basis that "it will strengthen our struggle against world communism."

The letter was sent after the pastor, Rev. Alva Tompkins, delivered a sermon on the Rosenberg case. The church members said they do not question the guilt of the Rosenbergs, "but we know that the judge who gave them the extreme penalty was but appeasing our hysteria."

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## **The Rosenbergs Must Live**

By Akira Sanbonmatsu  
America, speak out!  
The Rosenbergs must live!  
For the April wind and for spring,  
For all the colors of life and for all  
that lives,  
for the summer night and for the  
supper prayer,  
for Michael and Robbie,  
They must live!  
For the simple beauty of the  
sweetpea,  
For the child just born,  
For all that walks, stands, turns,  
hums, builds and plants,  
For all that breathes, loves and  
laughs,  
For all the hopes that live and  
never die,  
They must live!  
The Rosenbergs must live!  
Speak out, America! Speak out!  
(Akira Sanbonmatsu is a Japanese American who with his family was confined to prison barracks "relocation" camps during World War II)

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## Clemency

"Little children, sweet and gay,  
Carousel is running.  
Hurry, hurry, get your place  
Or you'll surely be too late."  
Singing Came

Endlessly circling  
the near-White House-pavement  
the heart-beat of history  
heard in our tread

Our Rosenberg placards  
Maccabean torches

Lighting the crossroads  
of Washington's storm

Across our proud chests  
banners made of cardboard  
marked with the hope  
of two innocent lives

resounding through factories,  
government chambers,  
farms, kitchens, schools,  
houses of prayer

Through Britain, France, India,  
Germany, Africa,  
Canada, Israel,  
back to Times Square

Stronger the heart-beat  
Our circle expanding

Standing in dignity  
Mankind responds!

-Edith Segal.

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# ***Wisconsin Catholic***

## ***Journal Urges Clemency***

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MILWAUKEE, Jan. 19.—The official organ of the LaCrosse Catholic diocese, the Register, editorially urged that President Truman grant clemency for Ethel and Julius Rosenberg.

The editorial in the Jan. 13 issue, while not questioning the jury's verdict, stated that "our own national interests as well as the ends of justice" would be served by commutation.

President Truman has until to-

day at noon to act on the plea for commutation of the death sentence in the case of Ethel and Julius Rosenberg. Attorney General McGranery told the press yesterday that his department was still working on the plea before presenting it to the White House. It is believed that this delay may place the question before the incoming President Eisenhower.

Pleas for clemency are coming in from all parts of the world for the Rosenbergs, who were con-

victed without any evidence against them but solely on the unsupported word of one man, David Greenglass.

Contrary to the impression given to the people by the press, Judge Kaufman and the U. S. prosecuting attorney Irving Saypol, the Rosenbergs were not indicted for "giving Russia our atomic secrets," but solely for "conspiracy to commit espionage." The conspiracy charge removed from the govern-

ment the necessity of proving that the Rosenbergs actually ever did commit espionage or ever did transmit anything. There was no evidence of any kind presented during the trial that such had been the case.

LONDON, Jan. 19. — Every hour delegations are going to the U. S. embassy here with the question, "Have the Rosenbergs been reprieved yet?"

The delegations are made up of members of the audiences which

listen to speakers on the Rosenberg Case at Hyde Park, near the embassy. These speeches continue all day and through the evening. New crowds constantly attend, and then vote to send their own delegations to see the U. S. ambassador.

Similar delegations are visiting U. S. consulates in many parts of Britain, the British Committee to Save the Rosenbergs reported. They included prominent members of trade unions, leading clergymen, and others.

PARIS, Jan. 19.—One hundred and fifty leading attorneys here cabled their support of the clemency plea of Emanuel Bloch, defense attorney in the Rosenberg case. Headed by Paul Villard, nationally known lawyer, the attorneys said the fight for clemency was heroic and humane.

**Northwest ILWU  
Urges Clemency**

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 20.—  
The Columbia River District  
Council of the International Long-  
shoremen's Union, voted at the  
monthly session of delegates, to  
appeal to President Truman for  
executive clemency in the case of  
Ethel and Julius Rosenberg.

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# U.S. WRITERS, ARTISTS URGE CLEMENCY

The following writers have urged clemency for Ethel and Julius Rosenberg:

Paul Robeson  
Albert Maltz  
Freda Krichewy  
Howard Fast  
W. E. B. DuBois  
Edwin Berry Burgum  
V. J. Jerome  
John T. McManus  
Arthur Garfield Hays  
Dr. Gene Weltfish  
Morris U. Schappes  
Maurice Becker  
Hugh N. Mubrac  
Albert Kahn  
E. Z. Goldberg  
Waldo Frank  
Carl Mizrani  
Karen Morley



DUBOIS

Herbert Aptheker  
Arthur Pollock  
Yuri Suhl  
I. F. Stone  
Dorothy Day  
Samuel Sillen  
Frank Kleinholz  
Morris Carnovsky  
Edward da Silva  
Charles White  
Martha Schlamme  
James Aronson  
Cedric Belfrage  
William Reuben  
Hugo Gellert  
Alvah Bessie  
David Burlink  
Ben Field  
Lucy Brown  
Arnaud d'Usseau  
Michael Gold  
John Howard Lawson  
Peter Blume  
Barnard Rubin  
Jack Levine  
Lester Cole  
Arthur Kahn  
Lou Gilbert  
Herbert Biberman  
Milroy Ingram  
Al Moss  
Edward Strickland  
Herb Tank  
Ossie Davis  
Gale Sondergaard  
Shirley Graham  
Leon Bibb  
Hope Foye  
Lloyd Brown  
Louis Harop  
Nelson Algren  
Millen Brand  
Alexander Saxton  
Dashiell Hammett  
Ray Lev  
Philip Evergood  
Rockwell Kent  
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# WOMEN'S ORGANIZATIONS **CLEMENCY**

More organizations throughout the world have joined their voices to the growing petitions to President Truman for clemency for the Rosenbergs. Among these are:

## ARGENTINA

League for the Rights of Man.

## AUSTRALIA

Jan J. C. Lasy, lawyer.  
C. H. Burchett, writer.  
Democratic Rights Council.  
Eurcka Youth League.  
Jewish Council to Combat Fascism and Anti-Semitism.

## BELGIUM

Belgian Section, International Association of Democratic Lawyers.

## CHILE

League for Liberty and Human Rights.

## ENGLAND

Blackley Manchester Women.  
Haklane Society of British Lawyers.  
National Assembly of Women.

## GERMANY

Association of Democratic Lawyers.

## JAPAN

Tokyo Lawyers Corporate Office.

## NEW ZEALAND

Progressive Youth League.  
The Very Rev. C. W. Chandler, Dean of Waikato.

## NORWAY

Women's International League for Peace and Freedom.  
Sigrid Larsen.

## PUERTO RICO

Civil Liberties Committee.

## SWITZERLAND

Executive Committee of Union of Jewish Students of Switzerland.  
Swiss Party of Workers.  
Alice Descourtes, academician.  
Prof. Andrie Bonnard, Lausanne, academician.

## ALGIERS

Prof. Henri Aboulker, academician.  
Francois Joseph Cavighioli, architect laureate.

## BRITISH GUIANA

Janet Jagan, member Georgetown Town Council and General Secretary, People's Progressive Party.

## DENMARK

H. Jonassen, Ph.D., academician.  
Martin Anderson Nexø, writer.

## INDIA

Prof. D. D. Kosambi, Tata Institute of Fundamental Research, Bombay.

## SCOTLAND

Alexander Reid, writer.

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## CALL LABOR RALLY FEB. 4 FOR ROSENBERG CLEMENCY

A Labor Rally for Clemency for the Rosenbergs will be held Feb. 4 at 8 p.m. at the Palm Garden, 306 W. 52d St., it was announced yesterday by the Labor Committee for Clemency for the Rosenbergs.

It was also made known that the National Labor Committee for Clemency for the Rosenbergs had issued 250,000 leaflets addressed to unionists and their organizations giving the facts of the case.

Abe Weisburd, secretary of the committee here, stated speakers at the rally will represent AFL, CIO and independent unions.

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# Clemency Plea Shifts To Pres. Eisenhower

By MILTON HOWARD

The world-wide clemency campaign to commute the death sentence in the Rosenberg case shifted last week to the new President, Dwight Eisenhower.

Eisenhower will withhold his decision on the clemency plea pending a recommendation from his new Attorney General Herbert Brownell, the White House said.

HARRY TRUMAN LEFT the White House Jan. 20 without herding the pleas of millions the world over that he commute the death sentence in the case of Ethel and Julius Rosenberg.

But neither did he find it possible to speed the execution by hastily denying clemency.

He simply dumped the case into the lap of his successor, President-elect Eisenhower. The original date for execution was Jan. 14.

Eisenhower will get a Department of Justice study which will contain recommendations to the chief executive. Departing U.S. Attorney General McGranery told the press that the D. of J. had not yet completed its study.

MRS. ELEANOR ROOSEVELT told an audience at St. Olaf's College in Northfield, Minn. (Jan. 19): "I think there is a great deal of hope" that Presidential clemency may be granted. She said that "never before have we executed anyone for treason in this country in times of peace." The Rosenbergs were not tried for treason but for "conspiracy to commit espionage." The Constitution defines treason very carefully as giving aid and comfort to the enemy in time of war. Acts of treason must be confirmed by two witnesses. There was no confirming evidence in the Rosenberg case.

Mrs. Roosevelt, in her statement made as President Truman was taking his leave of the White House, stated further:

"We might say we would like to substitute the life sentence on humanitarian grounds. I think there is a great deal of hope that this will be done."

THE JERUSALEM POST, largest paper in Israel, editorially joined the plea for clemency (Jan. 7). Said the Post:

"Humane opinion looks to the President of the United States to commute the capital sentence on Ethel and Julius Rosenberg marked out to bear a burden of punishment far beyond the heinousness of their crime."

The Post noted the fact that "a sentence has been passed which in the opinion of very many people is not justified by the circumstances."

THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case said it would publicly announce details of another Washington Vigil to be held Jan. 26. More than 2,500 persons from 22 states marched in such a clemency vigil around the East gate of the White House Jan. 5. The vigil continued day and night for 21 days.

William L. Patterson, chairman of the Civil Rights Congress, sharply criticized Truman for failing to save the lives of the Rosenbergs. He warned that the incoming Eisenhower administration "care no more for the lives of the Rosenbergs than the Truman milk coat and deep freeze brigade. He said that 'the people remain the decisive force in this case' and urged that community leaders on all levels be visited with requests that they come out for clemency.

From Milwaukee, Wis., came news that the official organ of the Catholic Diocese, the La Crosse Register, had editorially come out for clemency (Jan. 15). The Catholic paper did not question the verdict, but said "our national interests as well as the ends of justice" would be served commuting the death penalty.

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# FROM THE THOUSANDS WHO ASK CLEMENCY

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"Capital punishment for political offenses is unworthy of a truly civilized government and suggests its inability to protect itself adequately from hostile or objectionable political influences; either by sound administration at home, or by a just, imaginative and enlightened policy in its dealings with foreign nations."

**DOROTHY THOMPSON, The Washington Sun, April 12, 1951:**

"The death sentence . . . depresses me . . . In 1944, we were not at war with the Soviet Union. . . . Indeed, it is unlikely that had they been tried in 1944 they would have received any such sentence."

**MAX LERNER, New York Post, June 18, 1952:**

"I agree that the death sentence was unprecedented and harsh."

**DR. HAROLD C. UREY, Nobel Prize Winner and renowned nuclear scientist:**

"I found the testimony of the Rosenbergs more believable than that of the Greenglasses."

However, accepting the verdict as correct, I am amazed and completely outraged by the unequal punishment which has been given."

**THE NATION, article by Arthur Garfield Hays, Nov. 8, 1952:**

" . . . We may try, but we cannot forget the two young Rosenberg children. . . . It is the damnable death penalty that causes the uneasiness."

**DR. HAROLD BANTON, Yale Divinity School, Connecticut:**

"I was shocked when I read that the death sentence had been imposed upon Julius and Ethel Rosenberg, and I am glad to have the opportunity of saying a word which might have some influence in altering the sentence. . . . I feel that the sentence is too severe, because it is not commensurate with that meted out to others guilty of the same offense. . . . We should by no means allow ourselves to determine life and death in terms of emotions engendered by a succession of disillusionments."

**THE CHURCHMAN (Protestant as correct, I am amazed and; Episcopalian), in an editorial on Nov. 1, 1952:**

"The Churchman feels that the death sentence, in the light of the far milder treatment of more serious offenders than the Rosenbergs, is both excessive and cruel. We believe that the execution of these two individuals will only hurt the name of the United States. . . ."

**EDITORIAL, in the Brooklyn Jewish Examiner, Oct. 21, 1952:**

"The value of the information transmitted to the Rosenbergs by the condemned electrician David Greenglass, is arguable at best. The Journal of the American Association of Atomic Scientists as well as The Scientific American stated that these 'secrets' were not particularly important."

"German war criminals guilty of ghastly atrocities during World War II, as well as American traitors like Tokyo Rose and Axis Sally, escaped the supreme penalty."

"It would seem from the above that the punishment of the Rosenbergs is unduly harsh."

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# SCIENTIST TO SPEAK AT LABOR CLEMENCY RALLY

Dr. John Codington, research chemist will speak on some scientific aspects of the case of Julius and Ethel Rosenberg at the Labor Rally for Clemency, Wednesday 8 p.m. Palm Garden, 52nd St. and Eighth Ave.

Dr. Codington is a member of the American Association for the Advancement Science and American Chemical Society. He is also an executive board member of the New York branch of the American Association of Scientific Workers, who recently appealed for executive clemency for the Rosenbergs, and detailed several contradictory elements surrounding the case. Dr. Codington will discuss these among others.

Support for the rally came also from Clarence H. Cox, president of District 3, International Fur and Leather Workers, Claverham, N. Y.

Other speakers besides Dr. Codington will be Victor Rabinowitz, labor lawyer and Stephan Kravath, chairman of Local 54, CIO United Shoe Workers.

The rally will be entertained by folk singers Leon Bibb and Magha Schlammé. Tickets are available at Rosenberg Committee headquarters, 1050 Sixth Ave.

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## CLEMENCY RALLY TO HEAR PACKINGHOUSE UNIONIST

Leon Beverly, Chicago Negro leader and president of Local 347, United Packinghouse Workers, CIO, will speak at the Labor Rally for Clemency for Julius and Ethel Rosenberg at the Palm Garden, Eighth Ave. and 52 St., tomorrow (Wednesday). Other Negro union leaders backing the appeal for executive clemency for the Rosenbergs include Mrs. Victoria Garyn, executive secretary of the Greater New York Negro Labor Council; Cleophas Jacobs, president of Local 988 International Association of Longshoremen, Brooklyn; and Mrs. Octavia Hawkins, financial secretary, Local 453, CIO United Auto Workers, Chicago, and treasurer of the National Negro Labor Council.

Among other union leaders sponsoring the rally were Leo D. Shaller, president, Local 163, CIO United Auto Workers, Detroit; Al Caplan, president, Local 28, International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union, Los Angeles; John T. Bernard, Illinois legislative director, United Electrical Workers, and Clarence Carr, president, District Council 8, Gloversville, New York, Fur and Leather Workers Union.

Giles C. Evans, financial secretary, business agent, Local 275, International Woodworkers of

America, Sedro-Woolley, Washington, has also joined in sponsoring the meeting. In his communication to the Labor Committee, Evans said:

"Best wishes for a highly successful rally, that will be instrumental in preventing this gross crime of war hysteria from being completed. A hundred more years of life in both the Rosenbergs."

Beverly will be joined in speaking to the rally by Victor Kalinowitz, labor attorney, who will discuss the facts of the case.

Dr. John Codrington, research scientist will discuss scientific aspects of the case. Stephen Kravath, chairman of Local 54, CIO United Shoe Workers, will also speak.

The rally will hear folk singers Leon Bibb and Martha Schlamme. Tickets are available at Rosenberg Committee headquarters, 1050 Sixth Ave.

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## 'CLEMENCY FLOAT' TO MARK FOURTH MARCH IN SEATTLE

SEATTLE, Feb. 5.—A striking "clemency float" will move through downtown streets here Saturday, while pickets march once again at the Post Office Building, to win life for the Rosenbergs. The fourth weekly demonstration picketline will be from noon until 1 p.m.

A leaflet issued by the National Labor Committee for Clemency was distributed to AFL unionists attending meetings at the Labor Temple here, and names are being gathered of union officials, shop stewards and committeemen on a labor clemency appeal.

The Washington Committee for Justice in the Rosenberg Case has requested funds for newspaper ads and other publicity. Contributions should be sent to the Committee, Box 59, 905 Third Ave., Seattle 4.

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## 700 at Labor Rally for Rosenbergs

A united labor movement came to the aid of the Rosenbergs from the electric chair, said speakers representing AFL, CIO and independent unions at a labor rally for clemency held at Palm Garden Wednesday night.

The rally, which was attended by more than 700 union men and women, applauded Leon Bokerly, Chicago Negro leader and president of Local 317, United Packinghouse Workers, when he said:

"Labor has it within its power

to save the Rosenbergs, just as Harold Waid, Harvester striker, framed on a murder charge, was saved. That power is—labor unity.

Other speakers struck the same note—that victory could be won even in this hour of extreme hysteria if labor unites. The chairman, Leon Straus of the Fur and Leather Workers Union, pointed to the reversal by the Supreme Court of the framup of Roosevelt Waid, Negro youth leader convicted on a phony charge.

"The Rosenbergs will not die if organized labor will speak out more strongly," he told the applauding unionists.

More applause fell to labor lawyer Victor Rabinowitz, when he told the assembled unionists that "our job here is to see that the experience of Sacco-Vanzetti is not repeated."

"We can do without the fine poems and books that were written about these two innocent framup victims after they were murdered saying what a horrible injustice was done," he said. "We can do without the fine poems and books written after they are dead telling us that the Rosenbergs were innocent. Instead, let's have two living people — not two martyrs. Let's see to it that a monstrous injustice is not done."

As the next speaker was announced, Mrs. Rosenberg, wife of the convicted man, stood up.

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fathered mother of Julius, was noticed sitting in the audience, and when the chairman introduced her she received a standing ovation. She came to the platform, shook hands with the speakers, then sat down next to Mrs. Helen Sobell, wife of Morton Sobell, co-defendant with the Rosenbergs, who is now serving 30 years in Alcatraz.

Mrs. Sobell spoke movingly about the importance of everyone giving a little of their lives to save Ethel and Julius from death. When she was finished the two women embraced warmly.

Dr. John Codrington, of the N. Y. Branch of the American Association of Scientific Workers, noted that the major organizations of the workers in countries all over the world were protesting the death sentence and that their number was growing. When the workers raise their voices through their unions the sound somehow carries a long way," he declared.

Scientists too, he added, are "playing an extremely important role in securing justice for the Rosenbergs.

Martha Schlammé and Leon Bibb delighted everyone with their fine singing of Negro spirituals, Jewish songs and songs dedicated to the Rosenbergs. Miss Schlammé's singing of Edith Segal's poignant song, "My Beloved" dedicated to Ethel Rosenberg, was especially well received.

The audience adopted a resolution urging President Eisenhower to commute the Rosenbergs' death sentence.

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Stating that the "life or death of the Rosenbergs is now in the hands of the American people," the Committee for Justice in the Rosenberg Case appealed to all Americans to send thousands of delegates to Washington this Saturday, Feb. 14, to launch a new save-the-Rosenbergs vigil around the White House. The Committee urged all Americans to ask President Eisenhower to reconsider his decision to let the two Jewish parents, against whom there is no real evidence, to die in the electric chair.

They also urged that unions, churches and other groups send personal delegations to visit the President with new pleas for reconsideration of the death penalty, the first that will ever be enforced in the history of the United States by a civil court in peacetime for such an alleged crime.

The Vigil Train will leave for Washington Saturday morning at 8:00 a.m. at Pennsylvania Station and will leave Washington at 5:55 return. Round trip tickets at \$12 are available all day today at the Committee's headquarters, 1050 Sixth Ave., New York City, BR-99694.

Defense Attorney Emanuel Bloch said yesterday he is attempting to arrange to take the two Rosenberg children, Michael, 9, and Bobby, 8, to see their parents in the death house on Saturday.

The Committee recalled that the Rosenbergs were "hours away from death" several weeks ago, but that "millions of Americans of all religious faiths and stations in life, prayed and appealed for clemency, with the result that the administration under which the Rosenbergs were convicted did not carry out the death sentences.

"We believe that the Rosenbergs can still obtain Presidential clemency, providing that millions of our fellow citizens reiterate their sentiments by conveying, by telephone, wire and letter, a plea for reconsideration to President Eisenhower," the committee said.

"We urge that the many churches, labor unions and civic-minded organizations do likewise, and further that they send delegations to express their profound convictions to the President in person. In doing so, they will uphold the highest humanitarian traditions of our democracy."

Bloch said he was attempting to reach Circuit Court of Appeals Judge Thomas W. Swan, at his New Haven, Conn., home to arrange for a prompt hearing on his appeal for a stay.

A new date for the execution of the Rosenbergs, who have firmly refused to save their lives by making a deal to finger innocent people, is expected to be set Monday.

Former President Truman approved Eisenhower's shocking motion by saying that the President

"did the right thing" in insisting on the death penalty in the face of the world's horror at the extreme penalty, and in the face of the fact that top American atomic scientists openly disagreed with the whole basis of the prosecution, the so-called "atomic secret." Scientists like Albert Einstein, Dr. Urey and Dr. Condon urged clemency in the face of the shaky government case as did Utah Supreme Court Chief Justice James Wolfe.

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# QUESTIONS and ANSWERS on the Rosenberg Case

**Q. Were the Rosenbergs convicted of "giving atomic secrets to Russia" as every paper in the U.S.A. says?**

A. No. This is a falsehood. The Rosenbergs were charged with and convicted of "conspiracy to commit espionage" for a foreign power. They were not even charged with intent to harm the United States. The government used the "conspiracy" charge because it did not have the slightest proof or evidence that the Rosenbergs ever contacted any Russian at any time. There is nothing in the trial record to show that they had ever done so. There is not one piece of evidence in the entire case to prove that any "information" about an "atomic secret" had even actually been transmitted by the Rosenbergs to anybody.

Thus all the talk of "treason" which fills the press is not supported by a single fact in the trial record itself. The talk of "Russia" and "treason" comes from propaganda planted in the press by the government, notably FBI boss J. Edgar Hoover and U. S. prosecutor Irving Saypol.

**Q. How did the case start?**

A. On June 15, 1950, a mechanic, David Greenglass decided to become a government witness. Greenglass, who was in fear of his life because of FBI charges, decided to "finger" his sister Ethel, and his brother-in-law Julius Rosenberg as "Soviet spies." On July 16, 1950, the Rosenbergs were arrested. They denied the accusations categorically.

**Q. What is the proof against the Rosenbergs?**

A. There is none. There is only the word of one man, David Greenglass. Greenglass could not produce a single corroborating witness, or a single tangible item of evidence to back up his story. The FBI questioned all the members of Julius

Rosenberg's CCNY class and found one, Max Elitcher, against whom they said they had proof that he committed perjury in signing a loyalty oath. Elitcher never met Greenglass and did not know him. Elitcher testified that Rosenberg, after not meeting him for several years, had spoken to him about espionage. He had nothing to confirm this. This and this alone is the "case" against Ethel and Julius Rosenberg. To build up this "case," the FBI found a photographer, Ben Schneider, whom they smuggled into the court illegally in order to release his identification of Julius the next day. This fact was hidden from the court at the time. Schneider swore on oath he had never seen the Rosenbergs between the time he allegedly took their pictures "for passports" and the time he identified them as an FBI witness. He could produce not one single item of concrete evidence to back up his story.

**Q. What was the atomic data which Greenglass says he gave to the Rosenbergs?**

A. It consisted solely of a freehand drawing made by him allegedly from memory six years after he seen it at Los Alamos. The drawing was of an implosion lens used in atomic research. The government had promised to produce top atomic scientists to prove the truth and importance of the "atomic secret." They never did.

Top atomic scientist, Dr. Harold E. Urey of the University of Chicago, and a leader in building the atomic bomb ridiculed the idea of such a "secret." Greenglass failed to pass a single one of nine science courses he took at a polytechnic school. Dr. Edward N. Condon, top U. S. scientist in a letter to Judge Kaufman (ally said that the freehand drawing of such a lens would be meaningless and worthless since "the essence of the lens lies in the precise shape which Greenglass did not know and could not have transmitted by a freehand sketch in any case."

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By CARL HIRSCH

CHICAGO, Feb. 16.—Spokesmen for 2,300 clergymen who have sent a special plea to President Eisenhower to reconsider the appeal for clemency in the Rosenberg case today awaited a reply from the White House on their request to speak to the President personally on the case. Dr. Bernard M. Loomer, dean of the University of Chicago Divinity School,

forwarded the new appeal to Eisenhower which "earnestly questions the political and spiritual wisdom of the sentence" of death against Julius and Ethel Rosenberg.

A group of leading churchmen who signed the appeal are ready to go to Washington at a moment's notice, said Dean Loomer.

Following is the text of the letter signed by Dean Loomer which Eisenhower received yesterday:

"I urge you to reconsider your refusal to commute the death sentence of Julius and Ethel Rosenberg.

"Together with nearly 2,300 other clergymen, I signed a letter asking for executive clemency. We assume that our letter is included in the material prepared for your attention by the Justice Department.

"Our unaffiliated group represents an important segment of the Christian clergy of this country. Among us are members of 28

communities and citizens of all 48 states, the District of Columbia, the territories of Alaska, Hawaii and the Canal Zone and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.

"Many of the signers are spiritual and executive leaders in their respective denominations. Included are presidents, deans and professors of numerous theological schools and colleges and important members of inter-denominational organizations. All of us, as pastors, are in intimate touch with our people; it is fair to conclude that our opposition to the death sentence is shared by a much larger number of conservative and thoughtful citizens.

"It is difficult in a short letter to convey adequately the sense of the considerations which led us to make our original appeal.

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Certainly one major consideration is the fact that the Rosenberg case has become an occasion that catches up within itself all kinds of attitudes, forces and movements which are operating within our society.

For this reason, we suggest that the Rosenberg case cannot be looked at simply in terms of itself. For this reason, the death sentence in this instance is an indication of our national weakness rather than our national strength. It is a reflection of our own growing hysteria, fear and insecurity.

When looked at in this symbolic way, the death sentence itself further reduces the range of our freedom to think and act. It contributes to a paralysis of critical thought. It furthers the mood of suppression that becomes increasingly characteristic of our way of life.

We are not questioning the justice of the trial, but we earnestly question the political and spiritual wisdom of the sentence.

Surely we as a country are strong enough to endure the kind of tension involved in the Rosenberg case.

Since this is an inadequate summary of our views, I respectfully ask on behalf of all of the signers that you grant an appointment at which some of our number can present to you personally the considerations which moved us to join in a common plea for mercy.

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# Silverman, British MP, to Speak Here At Clemency Rally

Sydney Silverman, Labor member of Parliament and vice-chairman of the World Jewish Congress, will be a leading speaker for clemency in the Rosenberg case, at a banquet to be held March 18. It was announced yesterday.

Silverman, a British leader in Jewish affairs, cabled Prof. Stephen Love of the University of Chicago that he would be "delighted" to come to the USA to speak for clemency.

Silverman had been falsely quoted in news services and papers here several weeks ago as having attacked the Rosenberg clemency campaign and the trials of the spies in Prague.

In a letter to defense counsel Emanuel Bloch Silverman called these reports dishonest and unscrupulous. He said that far from attacking the clemency campaign he felt that it is not the Rosenbergs but the Washington government which is on trial before the world. He also denied the Prague trials were anti-Semitic.

Silverman's acceptance of the invitation to speak coincided with the request by four prominent Labor Members of Parliament for executive commutation of the death sentence. The four are John Rankin (Tradesmen) M. K. Macmillan (Western Isles) Cyril Bence (Dumfriesshire East) and James Carmichael (Bridgeton).

They addressed a rally held at Dargy, Ayrshire, in England attended by 500. Rankin declared there was something inhuman

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about the Rosenberg case when it is considered that the act alleged to have been committed by the Rosenbergs took place in 1944. Yet after this, he said Roosevelt has made an agreement with Stalin at Yalta.

#### FACTORY PETITIONS

Shop stewards at the Rolls-Royce factory, Hillington, have agreed to circulate a petition throughout the factory asking for clemency for the Rosenbergs and to send a deputation to the American consul in Glasgow.

The Twickenham and District Trades Council are sending a protest to the U. S. Embassy. Twenty workers in a small Twickenham factory have also protested.

Hundreds of people thronged Brick Lane, Stepney at a "Save the Rosenbergs" meeting addressed by John Platts-Mills.

The London Youth Choir sang songs of the American progressive movement including the Rosenbergs' own song, written from the death cell.

Money was collected for the Defense Fund and the supply of the Rosenberg Defense Committee's pamphlet "They Must Not Die" was sold out.

#### SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 20.-

Two hundred pickets, proclaiming by banner and leaflet that "The Electric Chair Can't Kill the Doubts in the Rosenberg Case," marched in a noon-time clemency demonstration last week before the Federal building in San Francisco's Civic Center.

Scores of placards, many of them declaring "President Eisenhower Can and Must Reconsider His Decision to Let the Rosenbergs Die," dotted the line as the marchers circled in the crisp winter sunshine while hundreds of onlookers passed to watch.

It was the largest public demonstration yet staged here on behalf of the young couple, sentenced to death for alleged "con-

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### **Rosenberg Drive Mapped in Phila.**

PHILADELPHIA, March 2. — A conference of 100 delegates last week mapped an intensive drive to win clemency for Ethel and Julius Rosenberg, it was made known here by the Philadelphia Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case.

The drive will include distribution of material in the communities; visiting of community leaders such as clergymen, professionals, trade union leaders, and political leaders and distribution in the center city area within the next two weeks.

The delegates suggested that clergymen of all faiths be called upon to arrange a public prayer meeting for clemency.

The conference was addressed by Prof. Ephraim Cross of the City College of New York.

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# 10 Rhode Island Ministers Urge Rosenberg Clemency

Ten Rhode Island clergymen have issued an appeal to President Eisenhower for clemency for Julius and Ethel Rosenberg. The appeal, issued over the signatures of the Protestant clergymen as "Christian ministers," asked the President to commute the death sentence of the Rosenbergs "to a less severe penalty."

Signatories to the appeal are the Rev. Frederick A. Dyckman, executive secretary of education for the Methodist New England Southern Conference; the Rev. Harold C. Metzner, D. D., pastor of Trinity Union Methodist Church; the Rev. Albert W. Garner, assistant minister at Beneficent Congregational Church; the Rev. Arthur E. Wilson, D. D., minister of Beneficent; the Rev. Earl H. Tomlin, D. D., executive secretary, Rhode Island State Council of Churches; the Rev. Robert H. Schacht, D. D., of First Congregational Church, Unitarian; the Rev. Paul L. Sturges, D. D., Central Baptist Church; the Rev. Donald C. Wright, Ph.D., Mathewson Street Methodist Church; the Rev. Joseph A. Parkander, Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, and the Rev. Henry H. Scholey, the Mediator.

They cited four reasons

for seeking commutation of the death penalty. One was opposition to the capital punishment. Another was the "use of the case by Communists." And then these reasons:

"So severe a punishment for such a crime is against historical precedent in our country."

"World leaders who have no taint of Communistic sympathies have been shocked by the imposition of this death sentence, and interpret the action as a manifesta-

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tion of either hysteria or a lack of faith in the strength of our democratic position.

Dr. R. H. Schacht, of the First Congregational Church, said he signed the appeal "as an attempt to reassert the Roger Williams tradition of free speech."

"There has been much hysteria over this," he said. "So many are afraid of being smeared as Communists if they speak out."

For workers of New York City has been urged by their union leaders to wire or write to President Eisenhower to commute the death sentence for Ethel and Julius Rosenberg.

In a message which has gone out to all members the Furriers Joint Council and Joint Board of Fur Dressers and Dyers urges that "wherever possible shops should send telegrams to the President asking him to grant clemency."

"We urge all fur workers," says the statement of the Furrier Joint Council and the Joint Board signed by Murray Brown and Leon Straus, "no matter what their political or other views, no matter what they may think about the facts involved in the Rosenberg case, to support the position taken by the Union to save the lives of the Rosenbergs."

The message cites the fact the U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals judges had said that there are serious questions about the Rosenberg case, and that such vital messages as that of Pope Pius XII had been suppressed in the Jus-

tice Department.

SPOKANE, Wash., March 3.—The Rev. Walter L. Peterson, executive secretary of the Spokane Council of Churches, has joined in the appeal to President Eisenhower to reconsider his denial of clemency to Julius and Ethel Rosenberg.

Earlier the Civil Rights Congress here had reported the church council would do "all it can" to prevent the scheduled execution. The council's stand followed presentation of factual material on the case by a CRC delegation.

BELLINGHAM, Wash., March 3.—A score of Catholic priests, Protestant ministers and union officials have been seen by Civil Rights Congress "visiting teams" on the Rosenberg case, CRC chapter leaders in Whatcom, Skagit and Snohomish counties reported.

"With but a single exception, all agreed to do something for the Rosenbergs once they were convinced that an element of doubt exists as to their guilt," CRC reported.

The visiting campaign is continuing in Northwest Washington and is being organized in Seattle, Tacoma and Southwest Washington as well, CRC said.

All labor officials visited in Everett, Anacortes, Sedro-Woolley and Bellingham were leaders of influential sections of the AFL. A special effort was made to contact all Catholic priests in the four cities.

SEATTLE, March 3.—The campaign for clemency for Julius and Ethel Rosenberg was taken to community shopping centers Saturday via sound truck by the Washington Committee for Justice in the Rosenberg case.

Friendly response was reported in the Negro and Jewish communities. Another tour will be made this Saturday.

A clemency line march for the sixth week at the Post Office building. The demonstration was swelled by some 30 young people who recessed their Labor Youth League conference to march.

Another line will be held at noon this Saturday.

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# ITALY'S CULTURAL LEADERS IN CLEMENCY PLEA

World-famed cultural leaders in Italy have joined in pleas for clemency for Ethel and Julius Rosenberg. It was made known yesterday by the National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case. Alberto Moravia, whose novels including A Woman of Rome have

gained an international audience, called the dooming of the Rosenbergs "an infamous act" which moved him "to indignation." "Humanely speaking," said Moravia, "there is no proportion between the guilt attributed to the Rosenbergs and the death penalty."

Joining Moravia was the outstanding film director, Giuseppe De Santis, famed for his movie "Bitter Rice," who scored President Eisenhower's denial of clemency to the Rosenbergs. "Too many doubts have sprung up on all sides," De Santis declared. "Even the conservative press has had to admit it and is fighting . . .

Salvatore Quasimodo, poet and dean of Italian letters, who is strongly anti-Communist, said: "How shameful is the spilling of this blood!"

In addition to these and other statements, a group of leading cultural figures addressed a crowded public meeting on March 1 in one of Rome's largest theatres, Teatro Valle. Under the slogan: "Save the Lives of Ethel and Julius Rosenberg," such leaders as Prof. Concetto Marchesi of the University of Padua, film star Marina Berti, poet Similia Aleramo and Sen. Terracini called for clemency.

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# The French Rabbis' Clemency Plea That Gov't Suppressed

The text of the suppressed message by the chief rabbis of France to former President Truman urging clemency for the Rosenbergs has become available in this country. The message, expressing the belief that the "extreme severity" of the death sentence is "without precedent in the West," was sent on Jan. 2.

It was discovered by the Rev. Harold S. Williamson, pastor of the Church of the Rugged Cross in New York, that the message, like that of the Pope, had been withheld from the President, and hence never acknowledged.

The Chief Rabbinate of France, which sent the appeal, represents all registered orthodox, conservative, and reformed rabbis of France.

The text of the suppressed message follows:

Statement by the Association des Rabbins Français, Paris, Jan. 2.

To the President of the U. S., White House, Washington, D. C., Mr. President:

... The Rabbinate of France, profoundly moved by the death sentence pronounced on Ethel

and Julius Rosenberg, but wishing to avoid any exploitation of this plea for political purposes, respectfully appeal directly to you to implore you to use your prerogative of clemency in their behalf.

Troubled in conscience by certain indications, and convinced together with an important section of public opinion of the extreme severity of the sentence handed down by Judge Kaufman, the French Rabbinate joins with all the European persons—sincere friends of American democracy—in asking this measure of clemency in the very name of our common ideal of justice and of generosity which we derive from the Bible.

With confidence in our spirit of equality and humanity of which your life bears testimony, the French Rabbinate hopes,

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## Rabbis

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Mr. President, that you will not allow to be carried out this punishment which is without precedent in the West and which, in addition to the persons of the Rosenberg couple, will affect two young children.

### POPE'S APPEAL

Since the sensational news of the Pope's appeal, which had to be announced by the Vatican itself since the Department of Justice never passed it along, many newspaper editorials have tried to imply that the Pope never appealed for clemency, but that he merely acted as a secretary sending along the pleas of others without in any way indicating his own position.

Here is the exact quotation from L'Osservatore Romano, official organ of the Vatican (also reprinted in the New York Times, Feb. 13):

"Now it is good to know that His Holiness, although without being able to enter into the merits of the case, cannot decline his interest when it is requested for saving human lives for the superior motive of charity proper to his Apostolic ministry; and as he has done out of pity in similar cases, so in this one he did not fail to intervene in so far as it was permitted to him by the lack of any official relation with the competent government authority."

He "did not fail to intervene," says the Vatican paper, in the request "for saving human lives." Which clearly exposes the fabrication of the press anxious to blunt the powerful effect of the Pope's intervention for clemency.

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# Furriers' Clemency Plea to President

Members of the Fur Dressers and Dyers Union, joining their voices "to those of millions of Americans and of people all over the world," have urged President Eisenhower to reconsider and grant executive clemency to Ethel and Julius Rosenberg.

The letter signed by Leon Straus, executive secretary, follows:  
President Dwight D. Eisenhower  
The White House  
Washington.

The annual conference of the Joint Board Fur Dressers and Dyers Unions, attended by over 300 elected shop delegates representing 6,500 members of the Union, unanimously adopted a resolution urging that you reconsider your decision and grant executive clemency to Ethel and Julius Rosenberg.

In doing so, we join our voices to those of millions of American and of people all over

the world who have spoken out against the execution of the death penalty in this case. We feel particularly strongly because of the serious questions raised about the case by such outstanding scientists as Dr. Harold Urey and Professor Albert Einstein. The thousands of religious leaders who have appealed for clemency have made eloquently clear that the execution of the Rosenbergs would constitute a blot upon the record of our country.

For all of these reasons, we urge that you reverse your decision and grant clemency to the Rosenbergs.

Yours truly,  
LEON STRAUS,  
Executive Secretary

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# Britain Asks Why Clemency Speaker Is Denied U. S. Visa

The British Government has made representations to the U. S. State Department on behalf of Sydney Silverman, British Labor M.P., who last week was refused a visa to enter the U. S. to speak at the Clemency Dinner for Ethel and Julius Rosenberg.

This was learned from the British Embassy in Washington, by the Rosenberg Clemency Committee, sponsors of the dinner, slated for tonight (Wednesday) at the Hotel Capitol in New York.

Silverman was quoted in the London Telegraph of March 11 as saying that the provision of the McCarran Law under which he was excluded "refers to anarchists, atheists, Communists, totalitarians and a variety of other people, none of whom could apply to me."

A member of the world executive of the World Jewish Congress, Silverman also stated that the American Jewish Congress was "much perturbed" by the U. S. Government's action.

It was learned here that the congress had protested the visa refusal as had a number of other U. S. organizations in opposition to the McCarran Law.

A Reuters dispatch from Washington quoted State Department spokesman Joseph Reap as denying that the visa refusal had anything to do with Silverman's connection with the Rosenberg Case. In any case, Reap reportedly said, "he would still be ineligible to enter the country."

The Rosenberg Clemency Dinner Committee, wired this protest to both the State Department and the Department of Justice.

"Since a great number of Americans of the most splendid reputation and unquestioned loyalty are urging such clemency . . . it seems unwarranted interference with freedom of discussion and an inexcusable affront to a legislator of a friendly nation. . . . Will you please review the situation personally and approve the issuance of the necessary visa."

In the event that Mr. Silverman is finally refused entry to this country, plans are being made for him to address the dinner by transatlantic telephone.

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### Prof. Love to Chair Clemency Dinner

When persons of every religious and political belief gather tonight (Wednesday) at a \$25-a-plate Clemency Dinner here at the Hotel Capitol, the chairman of the affair will be the noted law professor and attorney, Prof. Stephen Love of Chicago. It was announced yesterday by the Clemency Dinner Committee.

Dr. Bernard M. Loomer, dean of the University of Chicago's Divinity School, and Mrs. Mary Church Terrell, educator and leader of the Negro people, will be among the speakers.

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# 1,100 at Dinner in Clemency Plea to Eisenhower

By MILTON HOWARD

Eleven hundred New Yorkers who crowded the Rosenberg Clemency Dinner Thursday night at the Hotel Capitol heard leading American spokesmen call for new people's pleas to President Eisenhower to reconsider his refusal to grant clemency to Ethel and Julius Rosenberg.

Hundreds were turned away, as the dining hall filled to capacity with New Yorkers and with individuals and delegations that had come to the \$25-a-plate dinner

from points as far away as Los Angeles.

The outrageous refusal of Washington authorities to permit the entry of British Laborite Sydney Silverman, who was to have been the main speaker, did not dampen the jam-packed gathering. On the contrary, it was apparent that the kill-the-Rosenberg forces who used the McCarran anti-Semitic law to bar Silverman, who is a member of the executive board of the World Jewish Congress, were fearful of the new upsurge in clem-

ency feeling in the U. S. and the world. The gathering's chairman Dr. M. R. Camiel, cancer specialist, announced that the tape recording made by Silverman in London and rushed here by plane especially for the meeting had not arrived, though newspapers mailed in London a day later had already arrived here. Plans for a trans-Atlantic phone speech could not be carried out because of weather conditions.

Prof. Stephen Love, member of the Fitness Committee of the Illi-

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nois Supreme Court and a nationally recognized legal authority, said that a deep study of the trial record revealed a clear bias against the defendants by Judge Irving Kaufman.

"The animus of the judge was clearly shown," he said, citing many passages in the record which show the judge moving to save the government's case after testimony had weakened it. Professor Love said that as a lawyer he was convinced that the government's key witness, David Greenglass,

whose unsupported testimony was the only basis of the conviction, could not be believed.

"David Greenglass' story," said Professor Love in ringing tones, "that he drew the plans of the atom bomb from memory within the space of two hours in Los Alamos shows me that he is telling an untruth! His entire testimony should be rejected!"

Professor Love then showed that not a single government witness could prove any direct connection

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between the Rosenbergs and the so-called "Soviet agent" Yakovlev. He showed that Harry Gold, on whose unsupported words the government and the press built up the headlines about a "Soviet spy ring," had never even met or heard of the Rosenbergs.

Professor Love refuted the idea told him by many of his colleagues and friends that the Federal Circuit Court of Appeals had passed on the reliability of the evidence, and that they had approved the Rosenbergs' "day in court."

He showed that the Court of Appeals had definitely not passed on the "sufficiency of the evidence," and specifically denied that it was doing so. Actually, the higher court has said that the Rosenbergs should have had a new trial because of the "reprehensible" conduct of the U.S. government prosecutor Irving Saypol.

Mrs. Mary Church Terrell, Negro people's leader, came from Washington despite her 80 years, and thrilled the audience, which gave her a standing ovation, with her passionate pledge: "I will do everything in my power to help get clemency for the Rosenbergs, and I shall be honored and privi-

leged to do so. I am shocked at the death sentence."

Rabbi Cronbach took up the "let-them-confess" propaganda used by the press to attack the clemency pleas. "For all you and I may know, they may have nothing to confess," this noted Hebrew scholar told the aroused audience.

Rabbi Cronbach deflated the argument that the A-bomb had given America any national security.

"International anity is only our defense," he told the cheering crowd. "The atom-bomb has brought not security but national jeopardy in accord with the ancient wisdom that he who lives by the sword shall perish by the sword."

## INCLUDES MANY GROUPS

Dr. Bernard Loomer, dean of the Divinity School of the University of Chicago, said the clemency campaign included people of all opinions on the case, those who thought them guilty, those who thought them involved in espionage but not to the extent the government claimed, those who thought there were doubts in the case, and those who believed them innocent. He warned that the execution of the Rosenbergs would "tighten up and freeze our democracy."

A searching analysis of the manufactured myth that the Rosenbergs had "caused the Korean war" was made by Rabbi Abraham Cronbach of Cincinnati. He showed that to believe this claim one would have to make eight assumptions, "and if one assumption fails, they all fail."

Among the assumptions would be:

- That the Soviet Union got the North Koreans to attack the South Koreans.

- That the U. S. could not stay out of Korea.

- That the Soviet Union could not have made the A-bomb without the alleged information dished up by David Greenglass.

- That the Soviet Union has the A-bomb though ex-President Truman says they haven't.

- That the A-bomb provides real defense and that the USA could have had a monopoly on it.

Rabbi Cronbach, in biting dry tones, ripped into these assumptions, one by one. He left little of the claim made by Judge Irving Kaufman, ~~school~~ later by President Truman and the press, that

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the "Rosenbergs were responsible for the casualties in Korea."

He said he thought the Rosenbergs were at least partly involved in espionage.

Many messages from overseas were read. By a voice vote the gathering, which refused to be intimidated by the slanders leveled against all citizens who sought clemency, approved a resolution urging President Eisenhower to reconsider his refusal to commute the death penalty.

The Rosenberg defense has till March 30 to file its appeal to the U. S. Supreme Court. If the court refuses to hear the appeal only Presidential action can save the framed-up couple.

Many individuals and groups are sending messages to Supreme Court justices as "friends of the court," urging that the court consider the case and grant a new trial on the basis of the U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals flat statement that "a new trial should have been granted."

The banquet was organized by the National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case.

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# PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT!

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## Harry Pollitt Describes Rallies in Britain for Rosenberg Clemency

British workers are constantly demonstrating before the American Embassy in London on behalf of Julius and Ethel Rosenberg. Harry Pollitt, general secretary of the British Communist Party, tells of the overseas struggles to save the lives of the innocent young couple in the following letter from London to his friend Steve Nelson.

Pollitt addressed the letter to the Allegheny County Prison in Pittsburgh. Before the message arrived here Nelson had won his release on bail after serving eight months of his 20-year sentence.

Pollitt's letter follows:

"Dear Steve: Many thanks for yours of the 11th, and I have passed your greetings on to all the comrades. Glad to know you are in such powerful and optimistic mood, and I can assure you we are doing everything possible in relation to campaigning to save the lives of the Rosenbergs.

Despite the dreadful weather we just had in London in particular, our comrades have tirelessly

besieged the American Embassy with poster parades. There have been meetings after meetings, and a resolution protesting against the sentence on the Rosenbergs was adopted at a demonstration on Sunday, Feb. 15, attended by 10,000 people. We shall keep this campaign up as long as it is necessary.

I am sure you will be pleased to know that we held our annual demonstration for the Daily Worker on Sunday, 15th, in the great Harrington Arena. 10,500 people were present and the demonstration was of a most enthusiastic character. The French Party sent Comrade Florimonte as its speaker.

to the demonstration, and his speech created a very big effect. "It is very good indeed of you to send me the cuttings, which I read with very great interest.

"I am speaking with Gallacher in Glasgow next week, and from there I go down to Southampton. I am also in Manchester this coming weekend—so we do get out and about.

"By the way, Pat Devine took the collection at the Daily Worker demonstration, and as you know, he is an expert at this kind of thing and secured 850 pounds, which, in view of the shortage of money in this country at the present time, is truly magnificent...."

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## 22 SOUTH JERSEY PASTORS SIGN PLEA FOR CLEMENCY

CAMDEN, N.J., March 29.—A letter to President Eisenhower, signed by 22 clergymen in the area of South Jersey, of a variety of church affiliations, asks for a reconsideration of the decision to an appeal for clemency by Ethel and Julius Rosenberg.

The letter gives two reasons for its request for reconsideration of the clemency appeal: First, that the alleged crime was committed at a time when Soviet Russia and the U. S. were active allies, so that the crime of which the Rosenbergs were convicted was not one of giving secret information to an enemy. Second, not one of the other persons involved in this affair was given more than a prison sentence.

The letter concludes, "We therefore believe that the sentence

given this couple was a savage and unjustified one. We beg you to reconsider your decision from motives of justice and mercy, and for the sake of America's good name throughout the world.

The clergymen are: Rev. Percival C. Bailey, Elder Fred Barnes, Rev. Donald L. Collins, Rev. J. H. Devose, Rev. Cbron W. Eagle, Rev. Calvin J. Felton, Rev. Kenneth R. Forbes, Rev. Ralph V. Graham, Rev. Albert E. Hartman, Rev. Harry S. Henck, Rev. William Hill, Rev. Walter C. Huntzinger and Dist. Elder George M. Johnson.

Also, Rev. Richard R. King, Rev. H. August Kuehl, Rev. William McGee, Jr., Rev. M. L. McKerny, Rev. J. Purnell, Rev. J. D. Stanley, Rev. H. H. Watts and Rev. John E. Wilson.

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# CUBA, ARGENTINA GROUPS URGE ROSENBERG CLEMENCY

Leading trade unions of Cuba and prominent individuals and organization in Argentina have urged President Eisenhower to grant clemency to Ethel and Julius Rosenberg. It was learned yesterday by the National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case.

Cablegrams were sent to the President by Cuba's Union of Textile Workers, Union of Weavers, Metal Workers Union, Barbers Union, Auto Workers, Laundry Workers, Furniture Workers, Hospital Workers, Liquor Workers, Transport Workers, Telephone Workers and Graphic Arts Workers.

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# France's Top Atom Scientists Form Committee to Defend Rosenbergs

Special to the Daily Worker

PARIS, April 9.—A committee to defend the Rosenbergs has just been announced in France's highest atomic body, the Bureau for Atomic Energy. A majority of the engineers and scientists in this official French body have stated their support for this Rosenberg committee, which is seeking clemency and a new trial for Ethel and Julius Rosenberg.

In a prepared statement, the new

Rosenberg committee rejects completely the idea that there is an atomic secret to be stolen. They state that the testimony of the government's key witness, David Greenglass, is unbelievable and fantastic. Greenglass claimed he overheard Los Alamos scientists talking about the "atom bomb secret" and then went home and drew it on a piece of paper.

The French atomic scientists cite

American atomic experts Dr. Einstein and Prof. Harold Urey as confirming their own views that Greenglass' claim cannot be believed. Greenglass claims, they say, are "completely suspect."

On Washington's insistence, France's top atomic scientist, Joliot-Curie, was fired last year from the French atomic commission. Joliot-Curie is a leader in the peace movement and favors the outlawing of the atomic bomb.

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# CLEMENCY RALLY SUNDAY TO HEAR NEW UREY STATEMENT

A new statement on the Rosenberg Case will be sent by Dr. Harold Urey, Nobel Prize winner and nuclear scientist, to the Rosenberg Clemency Rally at Randall's Island Stadium on Sunday afternoon, 2:00 p. m., April 28th.

Last January Dr. Urey urged clemency for the Rosenbergs in a letter to the New York Times citing doubts in the case. His position was agreed to by Prof. Albert Einstein, who also asked for clemency.

Scientific new developments in the case will be discussed by Joseph Brainin, chairman of the

National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case, who has just returned from a two-week trip to Europe, where he conferred with political and religious personages of all parties and faiths.

The gathering will also be addressed by Prof. Stephen Love, of Chicago.

The world-wide clemency appeal will be portrayed in "The Rosenberg Story", a dramatic presentation.

The rally is being sponsored by the N. Y. Committee for Clemency for the Rosenbergs.

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## Randall's Island Stadium

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## **Kinnite Stadium Rosenberg Rally**

Editor, Daily Worker:

An indelible sense of justice and fairness among the American people has so far kept Ethel and Julius Rosenberg from the electric chair. Three execution dates, one each year since 1951, have been decreed, but such large numbers of our countrymen—reaching a figure well over a million as of last December—have asked for clemency that the execution dates passed into history without claiming the Rosenbergs.

Until the latest appeal was made to the Supreme Court, the prosecution argued against retrial and postponement of the death sentences on the grounds that the Rosenbergs were fairly tried, fairly convicted and fairly sentenced. But a new, and alarming, argument was presented to the court in answer to the March 20th motion: it is too late to argue, they said, and it is high time to "get this over with."

If the Supreme Court should decide unfavorably on April 27, the prosecution will undoubtedly press for the Rosenbergs to be executed within a matter of weeks, probably some time in May. In the hope, possibly, that public sentiment will not be quickly enough expressed to prevent an execution.

This gives our Clemency Rally at Randall's Island on Sunday afternoon, at 2 p.m., a virtual life-and-death meaning. The presence of 25,000 earnest advocates of clemency at the Randall's Island stadium can create unmistakable proof that the citizens of our city and surrounding cities are determined that justice and fairness will prevail.

Among the speakers will be Prof. Stephen Love of Chicago, who delivered a sensationally documented and moving address at the overflow Clemency Dinner in New York, March 18.

We need your help. We urge that you take two urgent decisive steps. First, that you and your family attend. Second, solicit your friends, colleagues, shopmates to come.

Phone us (LO 4-9585) or come here in person for tickets. Emily Alman, executive secretary, N. Y. Committee for Clemency for the Rosenbergs.

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# ROSENBERG— RALLY SET FOR SUNDAY

Due to early rain the giant Clemency Rally for Julius and Ethel Rosenberg, scheduled to be held at Randall's Island Stadium yesterday, was postponed until next Sunday. May 3. Next Sunday's rally will bear new date in support of the drive to save the lives of these two young parents.

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# CHICAGO CIO PACKINGHOUSE PARLEY URGES CLEMENCY

The district convention of the CIO Packinghouse District No. 1 in Chicago recently passed unanimously a resolution calling on President Truman to grant clemency to Ethel and Julius Rosenberg.

The resolution, introduced to the delegates from Wisconsin, Indiana and Illinois by president Leon Beverly of Local 347, cited the fact that the FBI witness against the Rosenbergs had committed perjury and had admitted as much in an FBI affidavit given to the court. It cited the Green-  
 lass testimony on having memorized "atomic secrets" in his head as "reposterous" and refuted by national leaders in atomic science. The resolution said that Green-

lass was unreliable and in a position to be used by the FBI, and that the government authorities wanted a case with which to make the country accept the Korean war and a fiercer struggle with the Soviet Union.

The sentence, the resolution added, was "too severe" in the light of these known factors in the situation. The convention urged everyone to send messages to President Eisenhower to convince him to grant clemency.

## CALL TO SUNDAY RALLY

New Yorkers were urged yesterday to make the Sunday May 3 rally at Randall's Island to save the Rosenbergs a mighty demonstration that would be noted throughout the world.

The Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case made this call as it explains to thousands of persons who did not get the cancellation notice of last Sunday's rally the circumstances surrounding the cancellation.

The rally, which was to have been held this past Sunday, was postponed because of the weather. Although the day turned out to be clear, it was raining in the morning when the committee had to make the decision, and the U. S. weather bureau predicted showers for the afternoon.

The committee extended an apology to the many people who went to Randall's Island not knowing of the postponement and to the thousands who could not get telephone

calls through to the committee because of the busy lines.

"Thousands of telephone calls were made to the committee asking whether the rally would be held," the committee said. "The tremendous interest was a clear indication that an overflow crowd is possible on May 3."

The committee pointed out that the U. S. Supreme Court may rule on Monday the day after the Randall's Island meeting.

Tickets bought for the rally on the April 28 date will be honored this Sunday. The rally will begin at 2 p.m. Tickets can be obtained from the New York Committee for Clemency for the Rosenbergs, 1050 Sixth Ave., N. Y. 13, N. Y. LO 4-9385.

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# Clemency Rally Sunday Will View Table That Destroys Vital Point in Frameup

The console table that figured prominently in the trial of Ethel and Julius Rosenberg clemency rally this Sunday will be displayed at the Randall's Island Stadium. Thousands will be able to see for themselves the simple table that the Rosenbergs testified they had bought at Macy's.

The prosecution, without ever having introduced the table as evidence, claimed the table was an expensive one given the Rosen-

bergs by the Russians and hollowed out for secret microfilm work. The Rosenbergs said they bought the table on sale at Macy's.

An affidavit, signed by an employee of Macy's, supports the Rosenbergs' testimony. The affidavit shows the numbers on the table to be those used on similar Macy's tables that sold for \$19.97 at the time the Rosenbergs said they bought it.

Instead of producing the table

as evidence, the prosecution merely introduced four photographs of tables it admitted did not belong to the Rosenbergs. A witness was asked to say which one of the photos looked most like the table in the Rosenberg home.

The meeting will also hear important revelations in the Rosenberg case, a new statement of the Vatican, a new statement from Dr. Harold Urey, atomic scientist, a speech by Prof. Stephen Love,

legal authority, and a message from Waldo Frank, distinguished author.

The Randall's Island Rally, originally scheduled for last Sunday, April 26, was postponed until this Sunday because of the weather.

Tickets for the original date will be honored. Additional tickets may be obtained at the New York Committee for Clemency for the Rosenbergs, 1050 Sixth Ave., N. Y. 18. LO 4-9585.

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# Pope's New Mercy Plea Read to 10,000 at Rally

With the possibility that the U.S. Supreme Court might hand down its decision on the Rosenbergs today, many thousands of New Yorkers and out-of-towners gathered at Randall's Island Stadium yesterday to hear startling new revelations showing the crude character of the frameup.

They heard with amazement the reading of an original document in the handwriting of David Greenglass in which crucial statements made by this key witness during the 1951 trial were flatly contradicted by what Greenglass wrote a year before.

They also heard:

- A new statement by the Pope through the official Vatican paper, Osservatore Romano emphasizing and justifying his "intervention" in the case for reasons of mercy and charity.

- A new statement by Nobel Prize winner, atomic expert, Dr. Harold C. Urey, reiterating his plea for clemency and a new trial on the basis of enormous gaps in the case against the pair now awaiting execution in the death house at Sing Sing, New York.

- A complete analysis of the flimsiness of the case against the Rosenbergs by the nationally noted legal authority, Prof. Stephen Love of Northwestern University and of the Illinois Supreme Court Committee for Fitness.

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the intervention of the Holy Father or ~~some~~ should pretend to see an intrusion of a "foreign citizen." The Holy Father is a sovereign and in this case appeared the more majestic in that, divested of any national particularity, he became the herald of a principle which transcends the particularistic regions and touches the highest summit of the Christian and human spirit.

"Thus he was not a foreign citizen when he, without regard to nationality or politics, nor questioning the demands of military codes, shunned the fear that his steps might be misinterpreted and permitted himself to ask many times for an act of clemency in order to save a human life."

The Pope notes here that he urged clemency on the White House "many times."

The Vatican also took issue with those who claimed that to urge clemency for the Rosenbergs is to "help the Communists." The Vatican stated:

"The reproach to the Holy Father that he was being indulgent to Communists in intervening in behalf of the Rosenbergs and the reminder that Communism is inhumanly persecuting cardinals, bishops, priests, monks and nuns, was out of place. This was an unjust and irreverent act, for in no other heart does the painful fate of the persecuted of Christ echo as much as in the heart of the Holy Father; nevertheless, feeling the sufferings of so many oppressed ones, it is not forbidden one who is the repository of universal fatherhood to make a merciful gesture for who ever suffers under the burden of sorrow, be they innocent or guilty."

The Vatican statement said that



POPE PIUS XII

history would "seal with a word of highest praise the magnanimous gesture of the Supreme Pontiff in this case."

The statement described the case of the young couple sentenced

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#### VATICAN'S STATEMENT

In its statement of April 16, the Vatican stated:

"It is not by chance that the Holy Father's gesture in favor of the Rosenbergs falls in with the aid he sent in those same days to the flood victims in England, Belgium and Holland."

Thus, the Pope emphasized that he was not merely transmitting the clemency plea of others but intervening himself.

Further, the Vatican replied to certain unnamed circles which had criticized him for his "intervention." The Vatican stated:

"It is again displeasing that in

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## 16,000 at Rally

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to die together as "so pitiful as to arouse sincere commiseration even in those not animated by any ignoble partisan interest in wanting to save their lives.

"In particular, that a woman should wait in a 'death chamber' for the moment of execution is in itself an event as tragic as it is rare and is such as to arouse instinctively a sense of horror. When their two children, Michael, nine years old, and Robert five, are involved in this tearful fate, many hearts can be melted, before two little innocents on whose soul and destiny the death of their parents would forever leave sinister scars. No one can deny how this circumstance at least gives reason to the heartfelt insistence of the mothers who wanted to bring their agonized pleas to the Vicar of Him who dearly loved children."

Dr. Urey, whose statement was read to the rally, said:

"The new data relative to the console table published recently in the Guardian, if it can be substantiated, confirms my impression relative to this part of the testimony."

Dr. Urey was referring to the Macy console table which an affidavit proves was bought by the Rosenbergs at the time they said they bought it, and was not a "gift" from the Soviet Union for microfilm work as one government witness testified after he was shown not the actual table in court, but photographs.

The table was on view at the rally yesterday.

Dr. Urey struck a new blow at the government's case when he said:

"It has been suggested to me that the government has much evidence against the Rosenbergs involving vital secret data which cannot be disclosed in open court, and hence that the conviction and sentence are justified regardless of the evidence. I reject this theory and practice of justice as exceedingly dangerous and contrary to the historical justice of the United States."

"If our secrets are so important, then criminals should not be tried and condemned to death without public presentation of the evidence, and in this case criminals must go free. Personally, I would like to see this evidence, and until I can see it and discuss it in public it does not exist for the purposes of my discussion of this case."

"I should like to see a new trial granted to the Rosenbergs. Such a trial would give much information about this whole affair and would be worth all the cost even if the verdict and sentence were the same, because the cloud and uncertainty of the present situation

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# THE NEW EVIDENCE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE

We begin today the publication of the "New Evidence in the Rosenberg Case," issued by the National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case.

## INTRODUCTION

Since the Spring of 1951, when Ethel and Julius Rosenberg were sentenced to death and Morton Sobell to 30 years at Alcatraz at the conclusion of a hurried ten-day trial, an ever-growing debate has developed throughout the country as to the facts in the case.

In March, 1952, the National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case published the entire trial transcript. On the basis of these transcripts, thousands of which were sold throughout the country, the national debate on the facts in the Rosenberg case assumed tremendous proportions.

Dr. Harold Urey, Prof. Albert Einstein, Prof. Stephen Love, and many attorneys, educators and religious leaders called for clemency. More and more people became convinced that grave doubt exists as to the guilt of the Rosenbergs and Morton Sobell and that the short ten-day trial did not contain the necessary guarantees of a fair trial under the American Constitution. Eighty thousand Americans signed an amicus brief, requesting a new trial for the Rosenbergs and Morton Sobell. Many more thousands appealed to the President of the United States to grant clemency to the Rosenbergs.

Now, in the Spring of 1953, new documents have come to light, throwing serious doubt on the testimony of David and Ruth Greenglass, chief witnesses against the Rosenbergs. These documents, first published in France, were presented to the American people at a public rally of 10,000 people at Randall's Island Stadium in New York on May 3, 1953.

In the interest of seeking the truth in the Rosenberg Case, guaranteeing American justice, and preventing the tragic execution of two people who to this day maintain their complete innocence, we present these documents to the American people.

## THE DOCUMENTS

The documents received by the National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case arrived from the French Rosenberg Committee in the form of photostats.

The first document consists of three pages written in David Greenglass' own handwriting.

The three pages were later authenticated by a foremost handwriting expert, Mrs. Elizabeth McCarthy, of Boston, Mass. The document is dated "Saturday, June, 1950." It purports to be a statement of recapitulation of what David Greenglass told the F.B.I.

The importance of this document lies in the contradiction it gives to Greenglass' courtroom testimony; it is written in the language of a man inventing a story rather than telling a truthful narrative; it contains serious and inexplicable omissions, and finally, confesses that he permitted the F.B.I. to "remember" for him events he could not himself recall.

The second document, dated June 18, 1950, is a typewritten one, also of three pages, which appears to be a memorandum from an attorney for his files. It concerns a discussion between members of the law firm and relatives of David Greenglass. This second document is likewise of extreme importance because in it Mrs. Ruth Greenglass, David's wife, contradicts vital aspects of her husband's written statement and courtroom testimony and portrays her husband as an hysterical liar. This document provides evidence that Greenglass committed perjury.

These two documents do not deal with peripheral or secondary matters in the case. They go to the heart of the case, and therefore raise fundamental doubts, which, when taken in the context of other doubts—particularly the absence of a single document linking the Rosenbergs to a "conspiracy to commit espionage"—cause the trial to be viewed in an altogether new light.

The following pages present a comparison of the newly discovered documents with the Greenglass testimony.

## 'TENDENCY TO HYSTERIA'

In a decision of the U. S. Court of Appeals, Judge Jerome N. Frank said: "Doubtless if that (Greenglass) testimony were disregarded the conviction (against the Rosenbergs) could not stand."

In effect Judge Frank posed the question—*which man will you believe, David Greenglass*

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or Julius Rosenberg? If Greenglass lied there is no case against the Rosenbergs.

One of the new documents, the typewritten lawyer's memorandum describing an interview with Ruth Greenglass, David's wife, gives an intimate account of what kind of a person Greenglass is. Here, is a report of what Greenglass' wife has to say about him:

"As to her husband, she stated that he had a 'tendency to hysteria.' At other times he would become delirious and once when he had the grippe he ran nude through the hallway, shrieking of 'elephants,' and 'lead pants.'

"She had known him since he was ten years old. She said that he would say things were so even if they were not. He talked of suicide as if he were a character in the movies but she didn't think he would do it."

## GREENGLASS ADMITS LIE

In a document in Greenglass' handwriting, he frankly admits making statements he did not remember to be true, and directly lying to the F.B.I. He writes, describing a statement to the F.B.I.:

"I stated that I met Gold in N. M. at 209 Hick St., my place. They told me that I had told him to come back later because I didn't have it ready. I didn't remember this but I allowed it in the statement."

Thus he admits letting the F.B.I. put words in his mouth. Then he adds:

"But this I'll tell you, I can honestly say the information I gave Gold may be not at all what I said in the statement."

The language Greenglass uses throughout his written document is that of a man fabricating a story. "I made sure to tell the F.B.I.," "I established the approximate meeting place," "I definitely placed"—these are the kind of phrases he uses.

**SUMMARY**—Dr. Harold C. Urey, nuclear scientist, said after reading the transcript of the trial: "I found the Rosenberg testimony more believable than the Greenglass."

David Greenglass, a hysteric and a self-confessed liar, is the man on whose word two persons have been sentenced to die.

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## Rosenberg Rally Thursday

On Interfaith Prayer Day; churches.

rally at Union Square; and a "Clemency Train" to Washington highlight an emergency schedule of citywide activity in behalf of clemency for the Rosenbergs announced in a call to action issued yesterday by the New York Clemency Committee.

Tomorrow and Sunday thousands will offer prayers for clemency and will ask to have prayers said in their synagogues and

The Union Square Rally for Clemency will be held next Thursday from 5 to 7 p.m.

On Sunday, June 14, persons from New York, New Jersey and Connecticut will board a "Clemency Train" to Washington to join people throughout the country at the White House to urge Presi-

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## Rally

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dent Eisenhower to halt the executions.

The train will leave the B&O Terminal in Jersey City at 8:30 a.m. with the last ferry leaving Liberty St., New York at 8:15 a.m.

Leaflets explaining new evidence in the Rosenberg case will be distributed at industrial plants throughout the five boroughs.

A "Clemency Motorcade" will tour New York tomorrow and throughout the next two weeks clemency floats will tour with blow-ups of the new documents that prove perjury of the chief witnesses against the Rosenbergs.

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